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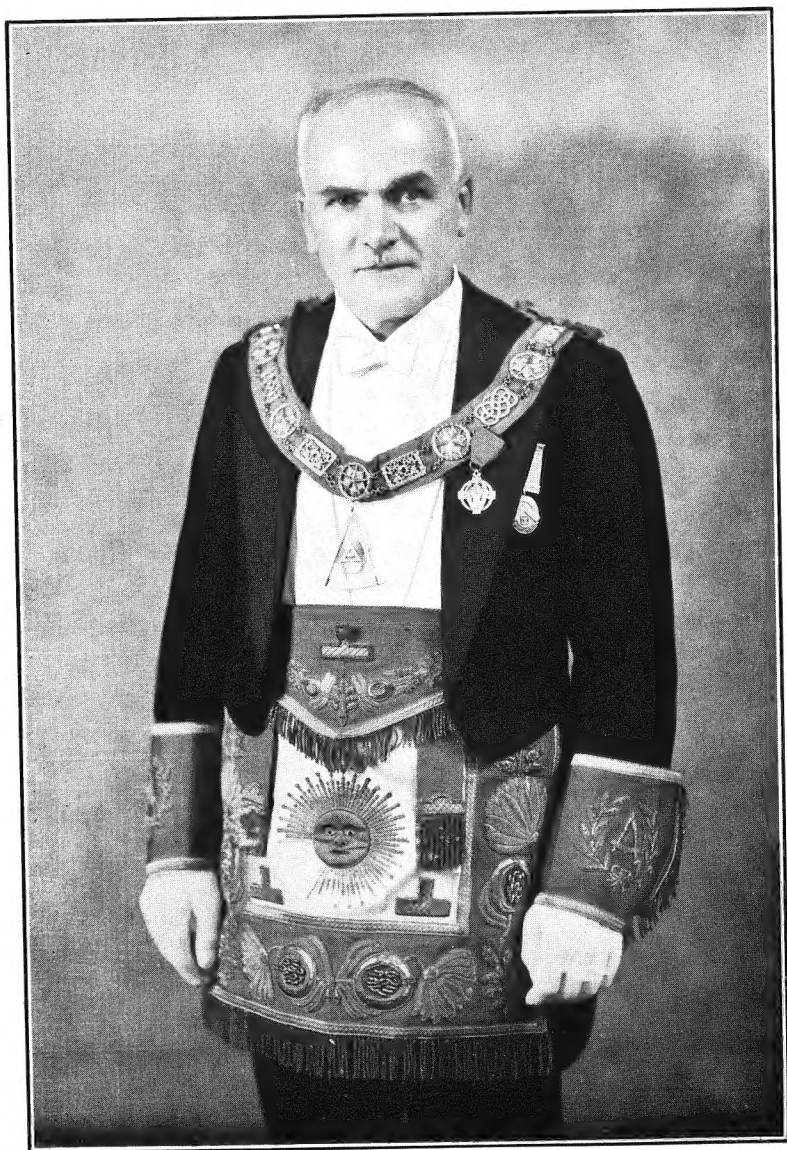
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M. W. Bro. John Martland was born at Moss Lane, Lathom, Lancashire, England, on March 27th, 1878. His parents were James Martland and Mary Culshaw, his father being of that sturdy Yeoman stock which for generations past has been the foundation of the Old Land's strength and stability, and of which Bro. Martland himself is a worthy representative.

He was educated at St. John's School, Burscough, the Grammar School, Ormskirk and the College of Technology at the University of Manchester. He commenced his business career in 1892, with a well known firm of solicitors, with whom he remained five years. He then became articled to Mr. John Riding, Architect and Surveyor at Ormskirk. Completing his articles he removed to Bury in 1902, engaging with Mr. Robert Hall as assistant, and while there attended the College of Technology at Manchester, graduating with the prize for Sanitation. In 1905 he moved to Liverpool and practised his profession as Architect and Surveyor. In December of that year he qualified for and was admitted as Associate of the Royal Sanitary Institute of London, England, and in 1909 he was elected a member of the Institution of Municipal Engineers.

Coming to Canada in 1910, he went direct to Edmonton, where he has since resided. Within a short time of his arrival he entered the service of the City of Edmonton in the Department of Inspector of Buildings and as a further qualification in his profession took the LL.B. Course in Chicago, graduating with honors. In 1919 he was elected a member of the Alberta Association of Architects and the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. He is City Architect and Inspector of Buildings for the City of Edmonton and is at present Second Vice-President of the Alberta Association of Architects.

He married on the 26th of July, 1905, Miss Ada Wild, the daughter of an old Stockport family. There are two children of the marriage, Ronald and Kathleen. The former is a graduate of the University of Alberta with first class standing in his B.A. and LL.B. degrees, winning the law prize in each year and in the final year won the Chief Justice's gold medal. Being selected as a Rhodes Scholar he went to Oxford University, attending Hertford College, where he also distinguished himself, obtaining first class standing in his B.A., honors in Jurisprudence and first class standing in the B.C.L. degree, winning at this time the Vinerian Law Prize, being the premier law prize at Oxford. He

has since been admitted to the Bar and is practising in the City of Edmonton.

M. W. Bro. Martland became a member of Temple Lodge, No. 1094, Liverpool, England, in 1907. In 1916 he affiliated with Empire Lodge, No. 63, at Edmonton, of which he is now a Past Master and a Life Member. He served the lodge as Secretary from 1926 to 1932. His interest in Masonry was early recognized by Grand Lodge, being appointed Junior Grand Deacon in 1927. In 1930 he was elected Junior Grand Warden and after serving in the offices of Senior Grand Warden and Deputy Grand Master, he was elected Grand Master in 1933. He is also a member of the A. & A.S.R. 32° and is P.T.P.G.M. of the Lodge of Perfection, and P.M.W.S. of Mizpah Chapter Rose Croix in the Valley of Edmonton.

Such is the brief chronological record.

M. W. Bro. Martland's educational record shows that a definite objective existed in his mind from the earliest days. Each step was a steady progression towards his goal, yet in all these years of patient study and work, that goal was not just a "job." It was the ideal of a builder, a Master Architect, that the plans he originated or passed upon were sound and true. The integrity of his chosen profession must never be impugned and he made that integrity his own. Honest work, built on sure foundations, was an essential. Somehow, in the company of John Martland, one feels that material gains in terms of money have little influence in comparison with the desire to serve with fervency and zeal.

When our brother became a member of the Craft in the Old Land, he found a congenial Society, whose fundamental principles coincided with his own, a fraternity which employed architecture and its tools in its symbolic work, and therefore strongly appealing to him as a Master Builder himself. It is not surprising that he became a genuine lover of the art and a diligent worker in the quarries. He is still an energetic Past Master of his lodge in Edmonton and one of its regular attendants.

During his year of office he gave unremitting attention to the many duties devolving upon him and much time and consideration to all questions coming before him. Ever anxious to temper justice with mercy in cases of discipline, no Grand Master could have taken more care than M. W. Bro. Martland did to assure himself that the final decision in any matter was in accordance with the Masonic rule and line.

Indefatigable, he answered every call made upon him, if at all possible, often at the cost of great personal inconvenience, and ever without one word of complaint. In fact, few Grand Masters have been so completely the gracious servant of those who elected him to the Grand Master's office. May he sit at our council table for many years to come, giving us the benefit of his experience and wise advice.

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OPENING

Grand Lodge was opened by R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, Deputy Grand Master, in DUE FORM and with solemn prayer at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

The Deputy Grand Master requested the V. W. Grand Director of Ceremonies to repair to the apartment of the Grand Master and announce that Grand Lodge was prepared to receive him. The M. W. the Grand Master, escorted by the Past Grand Masters, then entered the lodge room, was received with Grand Honors, assumed the chair and declared Grand Lodge opened in AMPLE FORM.

MUSIC—ORGAN

The M. W. the Grand Master granted permission for the admission of all Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

His Worship the Mayor of the City of Edmonton, Bro. D. K. Knott, was introduced by R. W. Bro. Wm. Rae, who stated that it was with great pleasure he was introducing to the Grand Master and this Grand Lodge, Bro. Knott, who like himself was an old Ontario boy and as a young man came West to cast his lot with those who had been builders of this city, and who by his own ability had risen to the important position he now occupies.

His Worship then addressed the Grand Master and Grand Lodge as follows:

"M. W. Sir and Brethren:

"I feel very pleased, sir, to extend to you and through you to all the brethren gathered here today, a hearty welcome to our City. I know that when Grand Lodge is in session you have a large amount of work to do and do not care to listen to long speeches. I have never been noted for making long speeches. It is one of the pleasing duties of a Mayor to attend conventions and gatherings of this kind and to extend a welcome to our fair City. We are always proud of Edmonton, those of us who live here, and we have endeavored to make it a friendly city and have accomplished a great deal in that regard, and we hope that the sessions will be of great benefit to yourselves and lend a little more encouragement to you and your lodges during these difficult times. It is, however, a good omen that so many are gathered together, showing that even in these difficult times so many are taking an active interest in Masonry, an institution whose underlying principles have always been in support of law, order and constitutional authority, and whose efforts are in the direction of harmony and peace. In this I believe I voice the opinions of all people in the City of Edmonton and would extend on their behalf the heartiest welcome to the Grand Lodge of Alberta on this their Twenty-ninth Annual Communication, and hope that your meeting will be a successful and profitable one in every respect."

The M. W. the Grand Master, in thanking His Worship the Mayor for his kindly words of welcome, assured him that the brethren were delighted to meet again in this friendly city and that his confidence in the high ideals of Masonry was well founded. He was particularly glad to welcome Bro. Knott as Mayor of the City of Edmonton because it fell to his own lot, when as Master of Empire Lodge No. 63, in 1923 he had the privilege of welcoming him on his initiation into Masonry. It was now an added pleasure to have him, as Mayor, extend a welcome to Grand Lodge on behalf of the citizens of Edmonton.

The M. W. the Grand Master drew the attention of Grand Lodge to the presence of V. W. Bro. Donald Hope, Past Grand Lodge Officer of our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba and one of the oldest members of our own Bow River Lodge No 1, who was celebrating at this communication his 50th Anniversary of his appointment as a Grand Lodge officer, and requested V. W. Bro. Hope to stand to give the brethren an opportunity of recognizing this venerable brother. V. W. Bro. Hope was greeted with applause.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Secretary, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, called the roll of the Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge, and the Representatives present extended fraternal greetings from their respective jurisdictions to the Grand Master and were received with Grand Honors.

The Grand Master stated that he appreciated this opportunity of welcoming the Grand Representatives standing before him and voicing their fraternal greetings to this Grand Lodge. To him it was one of the most impressive moments in the sessions of Grand Lodge as these brethren were the visible links by means of which this Grand Lodge is connected with other Grand Lodges throughout the world. He stated,

"In the words of Shakespeare, in his play *Macbeth*, you 'bear welcome in your eye, your hand, your tongue'." He extended to them the hearty good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Alberta and requested them to convey a message of good will and fraternal greetings to their respective Grand Jurisdictions.

M. W. Bro. S. H. Middleton, P.G.M., in replying for the Grand Representatives present, stated that he deemed it a privilege to do so, and was proud to represent the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, probably the oldest Grand Lodge in the United States of America, a pride that was shared by the others in their respective Grand Lodges. Together they represented world wide Masonry, all holding the same tenets and principles—all working to the same end, that of harmony and fellowship in the brotherhood of mankind. Such a widespread organization as Masonry, though apparently divided into independent Grand Lodges, was one in the furtherance of the Great Plan, and these annual occasions, with their exchange of brotherly and fraternal greetings, served to remind us all of the high importance of preserving in the widest sense the unity of Masonry, concluding that they would be glad to convey the Grand Master's fraternal greetings to their respective Grand Lodges.

MINUTES

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden (91), "That the minutes of the proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Twenty-eighth Annual Communication, held in the City of Calgary on June 14th and 15th, 1933, and as appeared in the printed Proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed, excepting paragraph 3, on page 96, of the Proceedings, which recommendation is hereby cancelled."

COMMUNICATIONS

Telegrams conveying fraternal greetings were read from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Iowa, Oregon and Saskatchewan, also from M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald, P.G.M., M. W. Bro. J. Watson Younge, P.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe, P.G.T.

The Grand Master directed that suitable replies be sent to these Grand Lodges. It being mentioned that M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald was seriously ill and in hospital, it was resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), "That a telegram expressing the sympathy of this Grand Lodge with sincere wishes for his recovery be sent to M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald, P.G.M., and that the thanks of Grand Lodge be expressed to M. W. Bro. J. Watson Younge, P.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe, P.G.T., for their kindly remembrance of our Annual Communication."

The following letters were read, expressing regret at inability to attend this Grand Communication and conveying fraternal greetings to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge: R. W. Bro. A. C. Lakie, D.D.G.M. District No. 7; R. W. Bro. A. F. Short, D.D.G.M. District No. 8; R. W. Bro. L. E. Atkinson, D.D.G.M. District No. 11; R. W. Bro. R. Douglas, P.D.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. E. G. Ironside, P.D.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. W. H. Chappell, P.G.R.; R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer, P.G.R., and V. W. Bro. J. J. Watson, G.S.

Grand Master's Address

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Alberta,
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

My Brethren:

I wish to extend to you a warm and fraternal welcome to this Twenty-ninth Annual Communication, and I am pleased that we are again privileged to gather together in our Capital City of Edmonton, with its historic and romantic background of that pioneering spirit of the old fur-trading days of the "Gentlemen Adventurers." I trust that your deliberations may be conducted with vision and understanding, your thoughts guided by the wisdom of the Most High, so that all your transactions may be completed in perfect unanimity and concord.

A year ago you entrusted me with the responsibility of the duties which devolve upon the position of Grand Master, and since that time I have held these duties as a most sacred trust. In discharging them I have given of my best, so that the high ideals of the Craft might be further extended. I wish to assure you that I fully appreciate the great honour conferred upon me and the Architectural Profession when you elected me to the highest office possible within the Craft.

NECROLOGY

During the year the leveller of human greatness has called many of our beloved brethren, not only in our own Grand Jurisdiction but also in other Grand Jurisdictions, and they have gone to rest from their labours, in the Grand Lodge above. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the bereaved ones that are left to mourn their loss. A little later on in our proceedings appropriate reference will be made to their memory. It is with deep regret that I refer to the death of our first Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Col. George Macdonald, V.D., who died November 4th, 1933. An extended notice will be inserted in our Proceedings. I now ask you to rise, and with bowed heads pay a silent tribute to our departed brethren.

*"Peace and rest at length have come
All the day's long toil is past,
And each heart is whispering, 'Home,
Home at last'."*

MASONIC PEACE MEMORIAL TEMPLE, LONDON, ENGLAND

The greatest and most outstanding event in the history of the Craft, the world over, took place when the Masonic Peace Memorial Temple was dedicated in London, England, on Wednesday, the 19th of July, 1933, by the M. W. the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of England, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Strathern, K.G., in the following words: "Men and brethren here assembled to behold this ceremony, be it known that we, the lawful Masons, true and faithful to the laws of our country and engaged by solemn obligations to fear God, the Great Architect of the Universe, are assembled here today, in the presence of you all to dedicate this

building to the Honour and Glory of the Most High, which we pray God may prosper, as it may seem good to Him and trust that those who enter it for ceremonial work may go away raised and uplifted. In ordinary circumstances, in consecrating a Lodge, we ask God's blessing on the Founders and the Lodge, but today we ask His blessing on this Temple, not only on the building, for beautiful as it is, it will in course of time crumble away to dust, but upon all those who enter here and I now call on the Grand Chaplain to give the opening Prayer."

Much has already been said and much more might be said regarding this most magnificent monument and memorial erected as a great central home for English Freemasons in the metropolis of the Empire, and in memory of the brethren who fell in the Great War, but many years will probably elapse before a full realization is obtained of the blessings to be bestowed upon the Craft through the deep influence of the idealism and the practical application to the tenets and principles of our Order hidden behind its erection. It will no doubt, as time goes on, be a tower of strength in the great cause of the Universality of Freemasonry and the Brotherhood of Man. May I be pardoned for expressing a feeling of pride that such a masterpiece of architecture and such a glorious monument to Freemasonry should be completed and dedicated during my year as your Grand Master, by the Grand Lodge from which my mother lodge received its Charter, and in consequence I felt it a duty to be a subscriber to the Memorial Fund, and am the proud possessor of a Hall Stone Jewel, which, by exercising my own prerogative, I have been pleased to wear—a privilege I hope will be further extended to me.

Finally I wish to thank M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, P.G.M., for placing his time at the disposal of the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction, so that they might hear his excellent address covering his visit to London, England, to witness the various ceremonies in connection with the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial

*"Pygmies are pygmies still, though perch on Alps;
And pyramids are pyramids in vales.
Each man makes his own stature, builds himself.
Virtue alone outbuilds the Pyramids;
Her monuments shall last when Egypt's fall."*

On his return journey, from the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple, while travelling through Canada, I had the pleasure of meeting R. W. Bro. William Stewart, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, at Calgary on Sunday, October 29th, 1933, together with M. W. Bro. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Bowes, D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Peel, P.D.D.G.M., and Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Victoria near our own Grand Lodge, and R. W. Bro. Macaulay, J.G.W. This visit proved an excellent opportunity for the exchange of ideas and making fraternal relations. I wish to thank the brethren of Calgary for entertaining R. W. Bro. Stewart during his stay of the next two days, when I was attending District Meetings, and for their assistance in helping to make his visit a very pleasant one.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

It was a great source of pleasure and inspiration for me to attend the various District Meetings throughout our far flung Grand Jurisdiction, from Grande Prairie in the North to Chauvin in the East, Medicine Hat in the South-east, and Coleman in the Crowsnest Pass

in the South-west. I am glad to say that I was able to attend the whole of the seventeen District Meetings, accompanied on all occasions by the Grand Secretary. M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., the Grand Custodian of the Ancient York Rite, also accompanied us to all these meetings, with the exception of the meeting held at Grande Prairie in the Thirteenth Masonic District, and the meeting held at Chauvin in the Seventeenth Masonic District. I would like here to express my appreciation and thanks to M. W. Bro. Connacher for placing at our disposal his car and his time. Nothing seemed to be too much trouble, nor any hour too early or too late when attending these meetings, and I feel that Grand Lodge is also greatly indebted to him.

All the meetings were well attended and a keenness and spirit of enquiry prevailed, and from the reports made by the various Masters it was evident that the splendid efforts put forth by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education through the indefatigable chairman, R. W. Bro. Chauncey, are now beginning to bear much fruit. I commend, most sincerely, the excellent work being done by this committee, and I would urge them to still further and greater efforts so that our membership may not consist of brethren who belong to the Masonic Fraternity only, but brethren who fully understand and practise Masonry.

I most warmly thank the District Deputy Grand Masters for their untiring efforts in making all arrangements for the District Meetings, for their splendid co-operation, their thoughtfulness and kindness at all times, and to assure them that I appreciate the hospitality extended to me.

CONDITION OF MASONRY

Much depends upon the standard or gauge to be used in arriving at a conclusion as to the condition of Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. It cannot be arrived at by using an empirical formula, nor yet a rule of thumb method; it can only be arrived at by a careful study of conditions generally, and as a result of this study I am satisfied that the Craft has stood the test in a most remarkable manner and I feel certain that our lodges are richer spiritually for that process of refining that has taken place during the strenuous times we have experienced.

Some lodges are finding it somewhat difficult to finance, but they are facing matters squarely and in a truly Masonic manner. In the past, however, I am afraid many lodges have relied partly on initiation fees to help their financial obligations and balance their budgets, and now when initiates are few they find it difficult, if not impossible, to balance their budget. To my mind this system is wrong and not in the best interests of the Craft. The annual dues should be fixed at an amount that each lodge can meet its financial obligations and balance its budget, deducting only such items from the initiation fee that can be legitimately charged to the conferring of the degrees. If this had been done each lodge would have had a fund set aside which would have enabled them to assist certain of their brethren, who, through no fault of their own are finding it difficult to pay their dues.

VISITATIONS

During the year I have been able to accept all invitations to visit lodges in our own jurisdiction, with the exception of three which I could not accept owing to other engagements. Wherever and whenever possible I have visited the small lodges at various country points, as I

felt that here was the place where a word of cheer and encouragement was needed. I have made a total of forty visits to our lodges. I attended and assisted at eleven Installations during the year. At five lodges, assisted by Grand Lodge officers, I conferred the first degree. I also attended three Twenty-first Anniversaries and one Thirtieth Anniversary. On all occasions during these visits I received the warmest welcome and hospitality and I experienced a keen sense of feeling that these visits were greatly appreciated. I wish here to express my heartfelt thanks for the loyalty and support given to me by R. W. Bro. A. West, D.D.G.M. for District No. 3; R. W. Bro. A. B. McCurdy, D.D.G.M. for District No. 10; R. W. Bro. J. Madill, D.D.G.M. for District No. 12; R. W. Bro. J. Gaunt, P.D.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey, S.G.W.; R. W. Bro. J. O. Little, G.R.; V. W. Bro. J. H. Leah, G.O., and V. W. Bro. W. W. Ward, G.P., as these brethren accompanied me on most of these visits, and at every visit I was always sure of having four or five of these brethren with me. I also wish to thank R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, D.G.M., R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay, J.G.W., and V. W. Bro. J. Raper, S.G.D., each one of whom travelled a long distance to accompany and assist me, along with the other Grand Lodge officers already mentioned, in conferring a first degree for Saskatchewan Lodge, No. 92, in Edmonton.

In the early part of last summer I received an invitation to attend the Grand Lodge of Montana at Billings, together with M. W. Bro. S. H. Middleton, P.G.M., which I was very pleased to accept. This was the first time I had been privileged to visit a lodge, supreme or subordinate, not under the British Flag. I was keenly interested in being able to visit an American Grand Lodge, both from an educational and international standpoint. I wish to thank the M. W. the Grand Master, the Past Grand Masters, officers and brethren for the warm and cordial welcome extended to us, also for their kind and generous hospitality. I wish to offer a word of praise to the Past Grand Masters, for they are a veritable tower of strength in this Grand Jurisdiction in maintaining the excellence of the superstructure erected there. I appreciate greatly the honor conferred upon me by being elected as an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana.

I also had the privilege of again meeting M. W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell, P.G.M., of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, and listening to his most inspiring message to the brethren of Montana. One still has vivid recollections of the excellent address given to the brethren of our own Grand Jurisdiction.

Quite recently I received a very cordial invitation from the Worshipful Master, officers and brethren of Empire Lodge, No. 85, B.C.R., at Vancouver, to attend, with the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and his Grand Lodge officers, the eighth annual celebration of Empire Night, on Friday evening, May 18th. I was met at the station and most warmly welcomed by R. W. Bro. George Derby, S.G.W., M. W. Bro. James E. Beck, P.G.M., whom I had the pleasure of meeting a number of years ago on a previous visit, and other brethren of Empire Lodge, and during my all too short stay I was the guest of the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Dr. A. Henderson. At noon I was privileged to listen in at the deliberations of the Grand Lodge Board of Benevolence and meet the members of the Board, after which I was their guest at a most delightful luncheon at the Vancouver Club. During the afternoon we had a very pleasant tour to various points around the City.

At 6:00 p.m. the Worshipful Master and officers of Empire Lodge tendered a banquet at the Georgia Hotel to the M. W. the Grand Master, his Grand Lodge officers, several Past Grand Masters with myself, M. W. Bro. R. S. Thornton, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and M. W. Bro. L. Morris, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, as guests.

At 8:00 p.m. the Regular Meeting of Empire Lodge was held, after which the Master received the M. W. the Grand Master and his Grand Lodge officers, and then the M. W. the Grand Master received your own Grand Master, accompanied by M. W. Bro. Thornton and M. W. Bro. Morris. It was a most inspiring sight to see the large lodge room crowded with around 350 brethren, and across the East were stretched brethren each carrying a flag representing a part of the British Empire. The warmth and kindness of the reception and welcome we received from the M. W. the Grand Master will never be effaced from my memory. After our reception the chairs were occupied by the Grand Representatives of the various Grand Lodges within the Empire, with M. W. Bro. F. J. Burd representing the United Grand Lodge of England, acting as Worshipful Master. Addresses were given by W. Bro. Harold Brown, Vancouver, your own Grand Master and M. W. Bro. R. S. Thornton. After the Worshipful Master had resumed the chair, the M. W. the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers retired, and so ended a most inspiring and impressive meeting.

Still more recently I received, through their Grand Representative near this Grand Lodge, M. W. Bro. Botterill, a very hearty invitation from R. W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, Shaunavon, Sask., to join the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, M. W. Bro. N. R. Craig, and other present and past Grand Lodge officers, for the purpose of attending a joint recognition of the 20th Anniversary of the Institution by M. W. Bro. James McCauley, P.G.M., on behalf of the Grand Master in 1914, of Shaunavon Lodge, No. 110, Aneroid Lodge, No. 111, and Woodrow Lodge, No. 112, A.F. & A.M., G.R.S. I arrived in Gull Lake, Sask., about 2:15 on the morning of Wednesday, the 30th of May, 1934, and stayed there over night. Later on at breakfast I had the pleasure of meeting M. W. Bro. Craig, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, M. W. Bro. W. B. Tate, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, who you will recall was one of our distinguished visitors at our 25th Anniversary celebration at Calgary on October 11th, 1930, M. W. Bro. W. J. Smith, P.G.M., and Bro. Douglas Fraser, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Education and Research Committee. After breakfast M. W. Bro. Smith drove us over to Shaunavon. The afternoon session was set to commence at 2:30 p.m., and after the reception of the M. W. the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers and visitors, they proceeded to the Roll Call of the charter members of the three lodges named. It was indeed interesting to hear the reminiscent remarks made during this period. After the Roll Call the Worshipful Master of Shaunavon Lodge, assisted by his officers and Committee on Masonic Education and Research, portrayed the significance of the Symbolism of the first degree by an exemplification and concurrent explanation. The work was excellent, the whole being extremely interesting, instructive, and so well worked out as to be easily understood by everyone. The Research and Education Committee and the brethren portraying the work are to be congratulated on the excellence of the whole setting. At the evening session the M. W. the Grand Master, assisted by present and past Grand Lodge officers, conferred the third degree on a candidate for Shaunavon Lodge, No. 110. The whole of the work was done in a very excellent, impressive and dignified

manner. The musical portions of the degree, rendered by the Shaunavon Masonic Vocal Quartette, were a real treat.

In appreciation of the work done by M. W. Bro. McCauley from the inception of these three lodges, the brethren presented him with an illuminated address and a suitably inscribed book, "The Apron Men." After the presentation addresses were given by M. W. Bro. McCauley, Bro. Douglas Fraser, the M. W. the Grand Master and your own Grand Master, and with the closing of the lodge ended a rare and most delightful Masonic treat of exceptional value, and one that will long be remembered by every brother present.

I have greatly enjoyed the opportunity of visiting in our own Grand Jurisdiction and the other outside Grand Jurisdictions, and fraternizing with the brethren on these occasions, for it helps one greatly to appreciate the universality of Freemasonry and also that—

*"The crest and crowning of all good,
Life's final star, is Brotherhood."*

DISPENSATIONS

A complete list of Dispensations granted during the year will be found in the Report of the Grand Secretary. There are, however, some dispensations regarding which some comment might be made. Three dispensations were granted covering four cases conferring the degree within the time allowed by the Constitution.

In the case of Saskatchewan Lodge, No. 92, dispensations were granted owing to the fact that to meet my convenience the lodge held its Emergent Meeting two days later than the regular date. At this meeting two candidates were initiated, I with my Grand Lodge officers conferring the degree. The following date for an emergent meeting was therefore two days short of the required time, but I felt that the request of the lodge was reasonable and that dispensation should be granted so that these brethren could be advanced.

A dispensation was granted to Crossfield Lodge, No. 48, in the case of a candidate who was unexpectedly ordered to transfer to another town in the Province some distance away. This case was for an initiation and our Constitution requires two months between the reception of the petition and the report of the character committee. Having thoroughly investigated the circumstances and found that the character committee had completed their work, I granted dispensation to receive the report and initiate the candidate one month earlier.

The other case was that of a Fellowcraft in Symbol Lodge, No. 93, who had to leave on an extended trip abroad and wished to obtain his Master Mason's degree before leaving. On enquiry I found that it was only a matter of a few days and as some time would elapse before his return, I decided to grant the request.

I have also granted four dispensations to receive and act on applications of applicants with physical defects. In every case I satisfied myself that the applicants could comply with our constitutional requirements, and believing that "the internal and not the external qualifications are what Masonry regards," I granted dispensations as requested.

I also granted four dispensations to change the hour of the Regular Meeting. In each case I assured myself that there was either no balloting or no balloting would take place before the usual hour.

Owing to unfortunate weather conditions last winter, fifty-five dispensations had to be granted to elect and invest officers out of time and to hold installations on other than the usual date, the brethren being unable to get in to the meetings. This gives one an idea also of the difficulties the D.D.G.M.'s had to contend with in carrying out their duties.

I also issued thirteen dispensations to attend Divine Service. In all cases the usual instructions were sent with these dispensations. Several lodges attended Divine Service without regalia, for which no dispensations were required, and I was pleased to note this.

A lodge requested a dispensation to change the night of their Regular Meeting as their lodge room was rented to another organization for that night. I refused the request as I considered the lodge could easily have obtained the permission of the D.D.G.M. of the the District to meet in another building.

I recently refused a request for a dispensation to elect and install a Master, from a lodge whose Master had died, as the Constitution fully provides for the ruling of the lodge in the case of death or absence of the Worshipful Master.

I also refused a similar request for a dispensation to elect and invest a Senior Warden, the vacancy being caused by removal to another city. Not only is it very definitely laid down by authorities on Jurisprudence that the three principal officers of a lodge are elected for twelve months, but our Constitution is also very clear as to how vacancies in these offices shall be filled.

OFFICIAL ACTS

The most important matter that I have to report under this heading is the suspension of Bowden Lodge, No. 42. Here is a case where the lodge decided they would ignore the Constitution and apparently take the law into their own hands. It appears that in August last they received an application for initiation from a resident of Strathmore, where our Strathmore Lodge, No. 53, is located. This applicant, a son of a Past Master of Bowden Lodge, was born and brought up near Bowden, and no doubt had many of his old boyhood friends in the lodge, so there was a natural desire to accept his application. At the September meeting it was duly moved, seconded and carried, that his application be received when all the requirements of the Constitution had been complied with, the Secretary being requested to write Strathmore Lodge. His letter, however, only reached the Secretary of that lodge after the September meeting had been held and consequently the matter could not be dealt with by the lodge until the October meeting. At this meeting the Strathmore brethren considered the application, but were not prepared to give a definite answer either one way or the other. Moreover, they had a fraternal visit from another lodge that evening and felt they could not thoroughly discuss the matter so as to arrive at a conclusion. They wrote Bowden Lodge stating that they would consider the matter at their November meeting, which would be held on November 6th. At this meeting Strathmore

Lodge decided to ask Bowden Lodge to withdraw their request, but the Secretary apparently failed to notify Bowden Lodge. The applicant went to Bowden for the Christmas holidays and at their regular meeting, held on the 26th of December, Bowden Lodge received the report of the committee on this applicant, balloted and initiated him. No notification was spread on their lodge notice calling this meeting, that such report would be received, and if favorable, the applicant balloted for. This action came to the knowledge of Strathmore Lodge through the applicant himself telling a member of Strathmore Lodge that he had been made a member of Bowden Lodge on the 26th of December. Strathmore Lodge then wrote the Grand Secretary asking him to make inquiry as to what had happened at Bowden Lodge, and in reply to the inquiry made by the Grand Secretary, the Secretary of Bowden Lodge replied stating that this applicant had been balloted for and initiated on the night of the 26th of December, without notice having been given to the members of the lodge and despite his protest to the Master that the proceedings were illegal. The Grand Secretary forwarded copies of the complete file of the correspondence to me with the protest of Strathmore Lodge against the invasion of their jurisdiction by Bowden Lodge. I gave the matter most serious and careful consideration and finally came to the conclusion, in view of the deliberate ignoring of the provisions of the Constitution on several counts, and the necessity of protecting lodges in their jurisdiction, that there was only one course left—to declare the initiation of this applicant illegal and to suspend the lodge until Grand Lodge met, by arresting their Charter. I accordingly commissioned M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill to proceed to Bowden Lodge and arrest their Charter on the night of their regular meeting, 27th February, 1934, instructing the Grand Secretary to provide M. W. Bro. Botterill with a complete file of the correspondence and full information as to all the circumstances. I further instructed the Grand Secretary to notify Bowden Lodge that M. W. Bro. Botterill, accompanied by the D.D.G.M. of the District, R. W. Bro. W. J. Kirby, and the Grand Secretary, would visit their lodge on the night of the regular meeting, to be held on the 27th February, 1934, when M. W. Bro. Botterill would convey my ruling and decision in the matter to them. M. W. Bro. Botterill, accompanied by the Grand Lodge officers mentioned, accordingly visited the lodge on this stated date and arrested the Charter as instructed. Here I wish to express my grateful thanks to M. W. Bro. Botterill for his tact and firmness in explaining to the lodge the serious nature of their action and the necessity for the penalty which was imposed upon them. The brethren acknowledged they were in error, that they had no thought of offending Grand Lodge, that they were not actuated by any feelings of animosity to Grand Lodge, but they did feel that Strathmore Lodge had unfairly dealt with them. The Past Masters of the lodge endeavoured to take the blame, pointing out that the officers of the lodge, including the Worshipful Master, who was responsible, were all young Masons and did not realise the seriousness of the situation or of the consequences which must necessarily follow.

The brethren of Bowden Lodge having complied with my directions in a truly Masonic spirit, I would recommend that their Charter be restored and the suspension of the brethren be removed by this Grand Lodge.

I feel that the thanks of Grand Lodge are due to M. W. Bro. Botterill for the able way he performed a very difficult and unpleasant duty.

RULINGS AND DECISIONS

I received a request for a ruling as to the legality of a brother holding an elective office in two lodges at the same time. In this case a brother was Senior Warden in one lodge and a member in another. The question arose, was he eligible for the Master's chair in the lodge of which he was a dual member? My decision was no, he was not eligible, for the reason that he would probably be Master of the lodge in which he was now Senior Warden and he could not hold the office of Master in both lodges. In this connection I would refer to the last clause of Section 265, as amended, of our Constitution, and also wish to quote Rule 134 of the Constitution of the United Grand Lodge of England, which states: "No brother shall be Worshipful Master of more than one lodge at the same time without dispensation from the Grand Master." The Grand Lodge of Ireland rules that, "No brother shall be competent to hold any of the three principal offices or the office of Secretary in more than one lodge at the same time, provided, however, that Grand Lodge shall have power to dispense with any part of this law."

I ruled that a lodge could not charge a candidate with a physical defect the fees charged by Grand Lodge for dispensation, in addition to their regular initiation fee, as set out in their By-laws.

I ruled that it was in order to use a loose leaf binder for the permanent record of the minutes of a lodge in typewritten form.

I received a request from the Secretary of the Central Masonic Temple for permission to permanently hang the charters of the lodges using the lodge rooms, in the lounge room adjoining both lodge rooms, which I refused, ruling that lodge charters must be produced in the lodge room at each and every meeting, but that I had no objection to their being hung in the lounge room between meetings, if each Master is satisfied as to their safety.

I received a request from a lodge to dedicate their hall, which had just been completed. On inquiry I found that the lodge room would be used by other organizations for purposes other than Masonic and I therefore declined to perform the ceremony.

A request to lay a corner stone was also refused, because the time allowed was not sufficient to convene Grand Lodge for the purpose.

LODGE BY-LAWS

Numerous amendments to By-laws were submitted for approval during the year. These, in the main, involved a reduction in annual dues or initiation fees and as they complied with the Constitution, I had no alternative but to approve of them. I have already expressed my views regarding dues under the heading of Condition of Masonry. In one instance I was asked for an expression of opinion regarding a suggested notice of motion to reduce the initiation fee to \$30.00, being \$10.00 lower than the minimum required by the Constitution, it being suggested that by this reduction several applications might be received from very worthy men. I replied that I refused to break the Constitution; that the minimum fee required by the Constitution was already low enough; that great danger would be involved in lowering the fee, and in any case, if these were worthy men a matter of a few dollars would not prevent them from making application.

CONCLUSION

In the performance of my duties as your Grand Master during the past year I have travelled over 10,450 miles and many pleasant memories, warm hand-shakes and genuine fraternal gatherings are contained in this mileage, for truly "Much must he toil who serves the Immortal Gods."

Before concluding I wish to render a tribute to our Grand Secretary for his most valuable assistance to me at all times, also to thank the other Grand Lodge officers, both present and past, for their aid and encouragement.

And now as the mantle is about to fall and I hand over the gavel to my successor, I trust that my efforts in helping to promote the high ideals of our Craft may be productive of much good in furthering the principles for which Freemasonry stands, for to us it is given to hold, to maintain all that has come down to us, remembering that, even in these ever-changing days, Altruism, Loving Kindness, Fraternity are eternal and the foundation of the divinest impulse in the soul of man. With these well embedded in the foundation, weaved into the warp and woof of the fabric of our superstructure, and vitalized by service as the crown and beauty of life, we shall continue steadfast and life will still be worth while.

*"So long as faith with freedom reigns
And loyal hope survives,
And gracious charity remains
To lighten lowly lives;
While there is one untrodden tract
For intellect or will,
And men are free to think and act,
Life is worth living still."*

Fraternally submitted,

J. MARTLAND,
Grand Master.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, (91), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), "That the Grand Master's Address, as presented, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 12:30 p.m.

First Day = = *Afternoon Session*

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), "That the order of business, as printed on the agenda, be changed and that notices of motion Nos. 1 and 7, as printed on the notice convening this communication, be now considered."

The following motion, No. 1, of which notice had been given, was moved by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9):

"That a new Section 13a, be inserted following Section 13 on page 21 of the Constitution, as follows:

"The election for the office of Grand Master and of any District Deputy Grand Master to be elected, shall take place on the afternoon of the first day of the Annual Communication, but installation shall not take place before the time stated in Section 14.

"That Section 13 shall be amended accordingly, by changing the word 'Section' to 'Sections', and also adding '13a and' immediately preceding 21, in the second line thereof."

"That Section 14 be amended by striking out the words 'The Grand Master' in the second line thereof."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Carried".

Motion No. 7, of which due notice had been given, was then moved by M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), "That Section 31 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the word 'five' in the fourth last line thereof, and inserting the word 'three' in its place."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Carried."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Fraternal Dead respectfully begs leave to report with sorrow and regret the passing of 143 members within this Grand Jurisdiction, also 19 distinguished members of other Grand Jurisdictions who have achieved well merited Masonic honors and are deservedly mourned by their brethren.

Within this Grand Jurisdiction, among our deceased brethren, while all may be worthy of mention, the following should be specially mentioned:

M. W. Bro. Col. George Macdonald, V.D., first Grand Master of this Grand Lodge and Grand Secretary from 1907 to 1917, member and P. M. of Bow River Lodge No. 1, died November 4, 1933. Grand Lodge owes much to this distinguished brother for his work in the formative years of its existence. His knowledge of Masonic jurisprudence and procedure and his appreciation of the value of Masonic tradition, customs and usages, did much to enable Masonry in Alberta to achieve success and worthily emulate the high standard set by our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

M. W. Bro. W. G. Scott, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and Honorary P.G.M. of this Grand Lodge, died May 19, 1933. He was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba from 1883 to 1900, was elected Grand Master in 1905, and in October of that year attended the first communication of our Grand Lodge, installed the Grand Master and officers on that occasion and always maintained a warm interest in our progress.

R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Webster, P.M. and a member of Perfection Lodge No. 9, since 1899, and P.G.R. of Manitoba before the formation of our Grand Lodge, died November 9, 1933. A public spirited citizen, he was Mayor of the City of Calgary, serving a double term, and at the time of his death he was one of the members in the Provincial Legislature for the City of Calgary.

R. W. Bro. Frank J. Smith, D.D.G.M. of District No. 8 in 1932, P.M. of Sentinel Lodge No. 26, and Grand Organist in 1926, died November 18, 1933. He was one who took the keenest interest in his lodge and as D.D.G.M. in his Masonic District. His passing is deeply regretted by all who knew him.

W. Bro. Andrew Christie, P.M. and charter member of Spitzie Lodge No. 6, died May 31, 1933, at the advanced age of 95, being one of the oldest Masons in Canada, a member in good standing for 74 years and was made in Ontario at 21 years of age.

W. Bro. J. C. F. Bown, P.M. and member of Jasper Lodge No. 14, died April 27th, 1933. A highly respected public servant of the City of Edmonton, for many years City Solicitor, a respected member of the legal fraternity and a Mason of good repute. Shortly before his death he was honored with the degree of LL.D. by the University of Alberta.

Bro. Geo. A. Allen, a member of Bow River Lodge, No. 1, since 1889, died in England on December 4, 1933. Although he left Alberta over twenty years ago, he never lost his interest in his mother lodge and becoming an extensive traveller, he visited lodges in many parts of the world.

The names of these and all others, receiving due honors from their respective lodges, are recorded in the Grand Lodge above, where a just appraisal of their worth and the approbation of heaven crown a consistent Masonic life.

Masonry believes in the worth of man, that he is worth so much to the Great Architect of the Universe, that no value in terms of his earthly life is adequate to measure him. Other measurements and valuations must be found. Masonry's emphasis on, and belief in, immortality is the protestation of the human soul that the loving God

who brought us forth in the world of time, endowing us with powers which make us worthy of creative partnership with Himself, will not cast us to the void to perish like the mere things of time which appear only to pass away.

Masonry's thought of immortality is thus indissolubly tied in with its faith in the Great Architect of the Universe. If His universe is rational enough and good enough to justify and support our belief in a God who shares His creative power with men, who takes account of man as a voluntary co-worker with Himself, in attaining creation's goal, there is implicit in this partnership the principle of love. Such a God must love such a man. And if God truly loves him and cares for him, if he is precious in God's sight, if man's presence in God's universe *makes a difference to God*, it is unthinkable that God will let him pass into the nothingness of forgotten time. The metaphysics may be difficult, but the ethical affirmation is inevitable.

Here is what might be called the minimum faith in immortality. It stops short of making any blue print, or drawing any design of heaven. It stops short of wrestling with the metaphysic of the concept of Eternity. It leaves these exercises to those who care for them. But it declares that every Mason holding his faith in immortality has the right estimate of the worth of man. He is not perturbed by lack of historic proof or by philosophic insufficiency. He definitely rejects all time valuations of man as insufficient, and looks toward the Eternal for the final word.

Such a faith gives a Mason fortitude to meet his Jubalun unafraid. A good Mason is one who can look upon death and see its face with the same countenance as that with which he hears its story. And the design of our institution is to prepare a man for life—life here and beyond—to teach him to look beyond time and space and discover his real value in the luminous light of the Grand Master of the Universe.

"In the midst of life we are in death"—the death that inevitably results when we lose our sense of the worth of man and of man's life. Man finds his value beyond space and beyond time in the realm where rules with impartiality the Grand Master of the Universe. Masonry is more a philosophy than a science and teaches man by its symbolism to look beyond the shadows of the tomb to the light of Eternity. It ever reminds him of the inevitability of his mortal existence, as also the great design and purpose of life and prepares him in the rough quarries of life for the Grand Lodge above.

*Days and moments quickly flying,
Blend the living with the dead;
Soon will you and I be lying
Each within his narrow bed.*

*Soon our souls to God who gave them,
Will have sped their rapid flight.
Able now by grace to save them,
O that while we can we might.*

True, it is appointed unto man once to die, but he need entertain no fear of his last great enemy if he has squared his life with the great moral virtues that lie embedded in the foundation of an ordered and spiritual universe, and has climbed rung after rung the ladder where "faith, hope and charity" are fitted into the structure. Up and ever

up through the winding staircase of life he comes through a virtuous and holy life—into that undiscovered country where it is his joy to look into the face of the Grand Architect who has shaped and directed his career until it is fitted for noble uses above.

*"Isn't it strange that princes and kings,
And clowns that caper in sawdust rings,
And common people like you and me
Are builders for eternity?"*

*"Each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass, a book of rules,
And each must make—ere life is flown—
A stumbling block or a stepping stone."*

Masonry, rightly interpreted and consistently practised, helps a man rise on the stepping stones of his dead self, into the achievement of a perfection of character which will bear without blinking the searching look of the All-Seeing Eye, and which will finally merit the divine "well done."

"If a man die . . . "

*"The days of life are few and filled
With ripening grain and mirth and tears;
And fool and sage must garner now
The sustenance for future years."*

*"Who winnows not from grief and joy,
And stores away the golden grain,
Must go a pauper into death—
Be bankrupt when he lives again."*

All of which your committee fraternally submits.

W. H. PIKE,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. W. H. Pike (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Kerby (83), "That the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be received and the sympathy of Grand Lodge be assured to affected lodges and Grand Lodges, and that a Memorial Notice of the death of M. W. Bro. Geo. Macdonald, P.G.M., be printed in the Proceedings."

Report of the Grand Treasurer

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Representatives
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I herewith submit to you my report as Grand Treasurer for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1934:

February 1st, 1933, Cash in Bank.....	\$ 2,510.06
Total Deposits.....	19,344.38
	\$21,584.44

Less:

Cheques issued.....	\$11,805.96
Transfers to Benevolent and Relief Funds ...	7,394.25
	19,200.21

January 31st, 1934, Cash in Bank.....	\$ 2,654.23
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A detailed account of above receipts and disbursements is fully set forth in the reports of the Grand Secretary and Auditor.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. J. SNADDON,

Grand Treasurer.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. W. J. Snaddon (83), seconded by R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), "That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and referred to the Committee on Finance."

STATEMENT OF BONDS

As at May 31st, 1934

<i>Fully Registered</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date of Maturity</i>
BENEVOLENT FUND			
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent	\$ 500.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent	500.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent	7,000.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	500.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	1,000.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	2,000.00	1 Nov. '56
<i>Registered as to</i>			
<i>Principal</i>			
Dominion of Canada	5 per cent	100.00	15 Oct. '43
Dominion of Canada	5 per cent	1,000.00	15 Oct. '43
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	100.00	15 Oct. '44
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	500.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent	1,500.00	1 Nov. '58
Province of Alberta	5 per cent	10,000.00	1 Jan. '48
Province of Alberta	5 per cent	7,000.00	1 Jan. '48
Province of Alberta	5 per cent	11,000.00	1 Jan. '48

Province of Alberta	5	per cent.....	2,000.00.....	1	Oct. '58
Province of Alberta	5	per cent.....	3,000.00.....	1	Oct. '59
Province of Alberta	5	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	15	Feb. '40
Province of Alberta	5	per cent.....	12,500.00.....	15	Feb. '40
Province of Alberta	5	per cent.....	21,000.00.....	1	July '43
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	2,000.00.....	1	Oct. '58
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	1,000.00.....	15	Oct. '54
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	7,000.00.....	15	Oct. '54
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	15	Oct. '54
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	1	June '67
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	6,000.00.....	1	June '67
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	1	June '67
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	8,000.00.....	1	June '67
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	1	Oct. '56
Province of Alberta	4½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	1	May '60
Province of Alberta	4	per cent.....	486.66- $\frac{2}{3}$	1	June '38
City of Edmonton	5½	per cent.....	3,000.00.....	1	Mar. '44
City of Edmonton	5½	per cent.....	2,000.00.....	1	Nov. '45
City of Edmonton	5½	per cent.....	1,000.00.....	1	Apr. '47
City of Edmonton	5	per cent.....	13,000.00.....	1	Apr. '60
City of Calgary	6	per cent.....	1,000.00.....	1	Dec. '51
City of Calgary	5½	per cent.....	7,000.00.....	2	June '44
City of Calgary	5½	per cent.....	5,000.00.....	2	June '44
City of Calgary	5½	per cent.....	4,000.00.....	31	Mar. '54
City of Calgary	5½	per cent.....	10,000.00.....	1	Jan. '54
City of Calgary	5½	per cent.....	9,000.00.....	1	Jan. '54
City of Calgary	5	per cent.....	2,000.00.....	15	June '45
City of Calgary	4½	per cent.....	2,000.00.....	12	Mar. '45

Total.....\$194,686.66- $\frac{1}{3}$

RELIEF FUND

Fully Registered

Dominion of Canada 4½ per cent.....\$ 5,000.00..... 1 Nov. '56

Registered as to

Principal

Dominion of Canada 4½ per cent..... 2,500.00..... 1 Nov. '58

Dominion of Canada 4½ per cent..... 5,000.00..... 1 Nov. '58

Total.....\$ 12,500.00

We hereby certify that we have carefully checked the bonds in the Safety Deposit Box in the Bank of Nova Scotia, and find the above statement to be correct.

W. J. SNADDON,
Grand Treasurer.

WM. IRELAND,
Auditor.

Report of the Grand Secretary

Calgary, June 12, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I herewith present the Twenty-ninth Annual Report of your Grand Secretary, containing a statement of monies received from lodges and lodge balances for the financial year ending January 31st, 1934. A statement of receipts and expenditures and of the assets and liabilities as of that date will be found in the Auditor's Report. I also present a synopsis of the returns of the several lodges to December 31st, 1933, together with a statement of certificates issued; by-laws and amendments thereto; dispensations issued and all other official acts of the M. W. the Grand Master and transactions of this office for the past year.

Proceedings

Eight hundred and fifty copies of the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication were printed and distributed in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge.

Certificates

In accordance with section 71 of the Constitution, certificates were issued to all elected and appointed officers of Grand Lodge.

I have issued 197 Master Mason Certificates to brethren raised during the year.

During the past year 61 Life Members were registered and the requisite certificates issued.

I have also issued 117 Past Masters Certificates to Past Masters who applied for the same.

The M. W. the Grand Master has examined and approved the By-laws of the following:

Stavelly, No. 33.....	Jan.	12, 1934
Symbol, No. 93.....	Mar.	21, 1934
Unity, No. 51.....	June	11, 1934

Amendments to By-Laws

Kenilworth, No. 29.....	June	21, 1933
Jasper, No. 14.....	July	5, 1933
Cavell, No. 125.....	July	5, 1933
Spitzie, No. 6.....	Aug.	23, 1933
Manyberries, No. 133.....	Sept.	7, 1933
Hanna, No 78.....	Sept.	15, 1933

Kilwinning, No. 110.....	Sept.	22, 1933
Monitor, No. 120.....	Sept.	22, 1933
Tawatinaw, No. 71.....	Nov.	3, 1933
Ashlar, No. 28.....	Nov.	15, 1933
Manyberries, No. 133.....	Nov.	15, 1933
Dynamic, No. 96.....	Nov.	25, 1933
Cairo, No. 32.....	Dec.	3, 1933
Craigmyle, No. 132.....	Dec.	9, 1933
Northland, No. 147.....	Dec.	9, 1933
Cascade, No. 5.....	Jan.	10, 1934
Carbon, No. 107.....	Jan.	10, 1934
Big Valley, No. 140.....	Jan.	10, 1934
Summit, No. 30.....	Jan.	23, 1934
Alliance, No. 135.....	Jan.	23, 1934
Lochearn, No. 151.....	Feb.	1, 1934
Crocus, No. 115.....	Feb.	8, 1934
Beaver, No. 56.....	Feb.	20, 1934
Drumheller, No. 146.....	Feb.	20, 1934
Strathcona, No. 77.....	Feb.	26, 1934
Morning Star, No. 79.....	Feb.	26, 1934
Cascade, No. 5.....	Mar.	13, 1934
Hythe, No. 156.....	Mar.	13, 1934
Nanton, No. 17.....	Mar.	22, 1934
Alliance, No. 135.....	Mar.	31, 1934
Perfection, No. 9.....	May	2, 1934
Acme, No. 60.....	May	2, 1934
Jasper Park, No. 143.....	May	2, 1934
Whitecourt, No. 153.....	June	11, 1934
Berry Creek, No. 158.....	June	11, 1934

DISPENSATIONS

To Wear Regalia at Divine Service

Corinthian, No. 22.....	June	17, 1933
Apollo, No. 27.....	June	17, 1933
Star of the West, No. 34.....	June	17, 1933
Gleichen, No. 36.....	June	17, 1933
Charity, No. 67.....	June	17, 1933
St. Mark's, No. 118.....	June	20, 1933
Granite, No. 127.....	June	20, 1933
Sexsmith, No. 160.....	June	20, 1933
Vulcan, No. 74.....	June	21, 1933
Eureka, No. 10.....	June	22, 1933
Buffalo Park, No. 44.....	Sept.	13, 1933
St. John's No. 25.....	Oct.	25, 1933
Hope, No. 38.....	Oct.	25, 1933

To Hold Special Installations

Jasper, No. 14.....	June	16, 1933
Vermilion, No. 24.....	June	16, 1933
Palestine, No. 46.....	June	16, 1933
Robert Burns, No. 49.....	June	16, 1933
St. Andrew's, No. 66.....	June	16, 1933
Edson, No. 68.....	June	16, 1933

Edgerton, No. 102.....	June	16, 1933
Gratton, No. 144.....	June	16, 1933
Spitzie, No. 6.....	June	17, 1933
Star of the West, No. 34.....	June	17, 1933
Hope, No. 38.....	June	17, 1933
Connaught, No. 69.....	June	17, 1933
Norwood, No. 90.....	June	17, 1933
Buffalo Park, No. 44.....	June	20, 1933
Chinook, No. 47.....	June	20, 1933
Kilwinning, No. 110.....	June	20, 1933
Kitscoty, No. 131.....	June	20, 1933
Cresset, No. 136.....	June	20, 1933
Onoway, No. 138.....	June	21, 1933
Renfrew, No. 134.....	Oct.	2, 1933
Sexsmith, No. 160.....	Nov.	9, 1933
Commercial No. 81.....	Nov.	18, 1933
Empire, No. 63.....	Nov.	24, 1933
Strathcona, No. 77.....	Nov.	24, 1933
Zetland, No. 83.....	Nov.	29, 1933
Calgary, No. 23.....	Dec.	4, 1933
Unity, No. 51.....	Dec.	4, 1933
Mount Lebanon, No. 54.....	Dec.	4, 1933
Bow River, No. 1.....	Dec.	6, 1933
King Solomon, No. 41.....	Dec.	6, 1933
Verdigris, No. 100.....	Dec.	6, 1933
Pembina, No. 126.....	Dec.	6, 1933
Mayerthorpe, No. 148.....	Dec.	6, 1933
Edmonton, No. 7.....	Dec.	7, 1933
Saskatchewan, No. 92.....	Dec.	7, 1933
King George, No. 59.....	Dec.	9, 1933
Concord, No. 124.....	Dec.	11, 1933
Hythe, No. 156.....	Dec.	13, 1933
Vulcan, No. 174.....	Dec.	15, 1933
Ashlar, No. 28.....	Dec.	21, 1933
Carbon, No. 107.....	Dec.	21, 1933
Tuscan, No. 43.....	Dec.	22, 1933
Big Valley, No. 140.....	Dec.	22, 1933
Alliance, No. 135.....	Dec.	26, 1933
Drumheller, No. 146.....	Dec.	26, 1933
Westlock, No. 114.....	Dec.	28, 1933
Earl Haig, No. 155.....	Dec.	28, 1933
Rockyford, No. 123.....	Dec.	29, 1933
Grassy Lake, No. 57.....	Dec.	30, 1933
Cairo, No. 32.....	Jan.	9, 1934

To Hold Special Elections

Renfrew, No. 134.....	Oct.	2, 1933
Pyramid, No. 108.....	Dec.	6, 1933
Patricia, No. 91.....	May	8, 1934

To Elect and Invest Out of Time

Acme, No. 60.....	Aug.	23, 1933
Cairo, No. 32.....	Dec.	23, 1933
Bassano, No. 55.....	Jan.	3, 1934

Westlock, No. 114.....	Jan.	15, 1934
Kenilworth, No. 29.....	Mar.	8, 1934
Joppa, No. 40.....	Mar.	12, 1934
Donalda, No. 150.....	Apr.	26, 1934

To Invest Out of Time

Sharon, No. 157.....	July	13, 1933
Vermilion, No. 24.....	Aug.	30, 1933
Granite, No. 127.....	Jan.	3, 1934
Rocky Mountain, No. 86.....	Jan.	4, 1934
Kitchener, No. 95.....	Jan.	4, 1934
Champion, No. 84.....	Jan.	9, 1934
Wahpun, No. 88.....	Jan.	9, 1934
North Star, No. 4.....	Jan.	12, 1934
Donalda, No. 150.....	Jan.	22, 1934
Wetaskiwin, No. 15.....	Jan.	24, 1934
Big Valley, No. 140.....	Feb.	1, 1934
Berry Creek, No. 158.....	Feb.	1, 1934
Kitchener, No. 95.....	May	16, 1934

To Change Regular Night of Meeting

Rosebud, No. 149.....	June	16, 1933
Concord, No. 124.....	Aug.	16, 1933
Ivanhoe, No. 142.....	Aug.	16, 1933
Medicine Hat, No. 2.....	Sept.	15, 1933
St. Mark's, No. 118.....	Oct.	2, 1933
Champion, No. 84.....	Oct.	16, 1934
Hand Hill, No. 98.....	Nov.	24, 1933
Apollo, No. 27.....	Dec.	21, 1933
Empire, No. 63.....	Dec.	1, 1933
Crossfield, No. 48.....	Dec.	7, 1933
Ivanhoe, No. 142.....	Dec.	7, 1933
Whitecourt, No. 153.....	Feb.	14, 1934
Strathcona, No. 77.....	Mar.	15, 1934
Morning Star, No. 79.....	May	25, 1934
St. Andrew's, No. 66.....	June	4, 1934

To Change Regular Hour of Meeting

Calgary, No. 23.....	Oct.	2, 1933
Wetaskiwin, No. 15.....	Nov.	9, 1933
Concord, No. 124.....	Nov.	24, 1933
Calgary, No. 23.....	Dec.	11, 1933

To Act with Physical Defect

Rockyford, No. 123.....	June	20, 1933
Charity, No. 67.....	Nov.	9, 1933
Chief Mountain, No. 58.....	Nov.	24, 1933
Bow River, No. 1.....	Nov.	24, 1933

To Confer Degrees Within the Time Prescribed by the Constitution

Saskatchewan, No. 92.....	Oct.	10, 1933
Crossfield, No. 48.....	Dec.	7, 1933
Symbol, No. 93.....	May	2, 1934

Grand Representatives

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Connecticut, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed R. W. Bro. Frederick F. Fisher of Hartford, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Maryland, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Martin H. Kinsinger of Silver Spring, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Massachusetts, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed R. W. Bro. George A. Chisholm of Melrose, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Mississippi, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. H. D. Corley of Clarksdale, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of New Jersey, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed R. W. Bro. Howard L. Carter of Haddonfield, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of New York, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Joseph Gallian of New York, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of New York.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of North Dakota, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. William J. Hutcheson of Fargo, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Tennessee, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Luther E. Davis of Springfield, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Western Australia, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Campbell Alexander Hendry of Claremont, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Western Australia.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Wisconsin, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Elmer A. J. Brosius of Milwaukee, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Alberta, brethren were commissioned as Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta, as follows:

<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>Representative</i>
Chile.....	R. W. Bro. Robt. H. Lyttle, Edmonton
New South Wales.....	R. W. Bro. George Moore, Calgary
New Zealand.....	W. Bro. Colin Allan, Edmonton
Scotland.....	M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell, Edmonton
West Virginia.....	R. W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey, Calgary

The following Special Committees were appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master:

Revision of the Constitution

M. W. Bro. J. Martland, Chairman; M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell, M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair, M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop, M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid, M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, R. W. Bro. W. T. H. Cripps, R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland, R. W. Bro. R. G. Thomson, R. W. Bro. Bruce Flavin, W. Bro. F. Barnhouse, and M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis.

Grand Master's Address

M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop, Chairman; M. W. Bro. R. Patterson, M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid, and M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden.

Grand Secretary's Report

M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, Chairman; M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank, and M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell.

Fraternal Dead

R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Pike, Chairman; R. W. Bro. Wm. G. White and M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Kerby.

MEMBERSHIP

Total Membership, December 31, 1932. 13,607

Increase

Initiated	190
Passed	198
Raised	197
Joined	164
Reinstated	48

Total Increase 402

Decrease

Dimitted	313
Suspended, N.P.D.	486
Suspended U.M.C.	2
Died	145

Total Decrease 946

Net Decrease 544

Total Membership, December 31, 1933. 13,063

The above figures constitute a picture of our membership standing, that can only be brought into proper perspective by comparison with the same tables submitted in former reports, then they will make an interesting study and many lessons may be learned by those who read, mark

and inwardly digest the information they will be lead to seek in other reports in our Proceedings. These are Vital Statistics in every sense.

The half-yearly returns from lodges have been made fairly promptly, with only two or three exceptions. Secretaries are to be commended for showing more than usual care in filling out the forms provided. It has not been necessary to write so many letters, asking for information omitted or only partially given. These returns are in a form adapted for use in a typewriter and wherever possible a machine should be used. Names and numbers, when typed, are easily read and mistakes avoided.

It will be noted that every year a number of certificates are sent out. Life Membership and P. M. certificates are issued at any time on request, but M. M. certificates only upon completion of checking, card indexing and registering half-yearly returns. This cannot be done until all returns are received. Consequently, M. M. certificates are not prepared and issued for some months after the half year has ended.

With regard to L. M. certificates, full information is necessary. The Constitution requires fees to be based on consecutive dues-paying membership. Frequently it is found, on reference to our records, that a brother for whom a life membership is requested has broken his consecutive years of membership, perhaps by dimit or by suspension N.P.D. In such cases the longest consecutive period is taken for calculating the fee, which is computed from the length of time a brother has been a dues-paying member within this Grand Jurisdiction. Secretaries in applying for certificates should refer to their own card register and always give full names, Grand Lodge number and Masonic rank, with date of initiation or affiliation.

With regard to P. M. certificates, the full name and year of office should be given.

Another matter to which I would like to draw attention, is that of Amendments to By-laws, which are often sent in such form that they have to be returned to the lodge for proper completion, being sometimes without the seal of the lodge or proper signature, or not certified to as having been the subject of notice of motion. I would recommend that Grand Lodge authorize a form for such amendments, to be used by the lodges. I would also recommend that all lodges file this year a copy of their By-laws in this office. We have not had a complete file for years.

Correspondence on many and varying matters, within and without the jurisdiction, seems to increase. It is one of the great privileges and pleasures of this office that a Grand Secretary can have a world-wide correspondence acquaintanceship of the finest type with Brothers of the Craft, had he the time to give to it. The desire to carry it on and extend it is, however, subject to his own limitations. I feel greatly indebted to my Brother Grand Secretaries in many jurisdictions for their unfailing kindness and courtesy in sending information, in making inquiries and doing for me and this Grand Lodge many services which have taken time and trouble—a courtesy that has always been freely rendered and of immense assistance to our lodges and their membership. It is something that should be more often acknowledged by those so served than it is. This office is not only a connecting link for lodges within the jurisdiction, but it is a long arm of fellowship, reaching to the most remote places of the world.

With the Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master I enjoyed the opportunity of assisting to entertain R. W. Bro. Wm. Stewart, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, on his brief visit to Calgary last Fall. The distinguished brother was returning from the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple in London and paid us the compliment of staying over here on his way home. The interchange of ideas and general discussions of various problems and matters of interest brought home to us that we have very much in common—fraternally and Masonically without question—but also that far away Australia and ourselves here in Canada acknowledge the same bonds of union and can speak understandingly to each other, as can only members of the same family. It was a memorable visit and made a definite impression that will remain with all of us who were thus privileged to make contact with that distant Dominion.

Another distinguished visitor was M. W. Bro. W. B. Tate, P.G.M., R. W. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, who came on from Shaunavon Sask., where he met our own Grand Master, and with whom he travelled to Calgary, and I was delighted to welcome him in the Grand Lodge office. Our two Grand Jurisdictions, separated only by the boundary line between the provinces, derive directly from the same Mother Grand Lodge and in many ways are identical in customs, usages and regulations. Naturally we have much the same problems and it was interesting beyond words to compare the methods we used to solve them. At short notice a luncheon was arranged, to give M. W. Bro. Tate an opportunity of meeting some of our Grand Lodge officers and a few personal friends, which was most enjoyable, and the discussion which followed, covering many phases of Masonry and Masonic practices in both jurisdictions, continued far into the afternoon, and proved both interesting and profitable.

These visits made us feel that personal contact is of inestimable value and a more frequent interchange would be most desirable.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,
Grand Secretary.

Financial Report of the Grand Secretary and Auditor's Report for the Year Ending January 31st, 1934

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

The Grand Secretary in Account with Grand Lodge

Monies received between February 1, 1933, and January 31, 1934

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1.	Bow River.....	\$291.85	40.	Joppa.....	65.95
2.	Medicine Hat.....	327.10	41.	King Solomon....	89.65
3.	Alberta.....	127.00	42.	Bowden.....	31.00
4.	North Star.....	508.45	43.	Tuscan.....	41.00
5.	Cascade.....	157.50	44.	Buffalo Park.....	90.85
6.	Spitzie.....	102.45	45.	Ionic.....	18.60
7.	Edmonton.....	376.00	46.	Palestine.....	91.35
8.	Innisfail.....	115.25	47.	Chinook.....	54.20
9.	Perfection.....	823.90	48.	Crossfield.....	15.95
10.	Eureka.....	195.75	49.	Robert Burns....	49.25
11.	Acacia.....	251.95	50.	Comet.....	46.05
12.	Red Deer.....	160.50	51.	Unity.....	538.40
13.	Victoria.....	80.60	53.	Strathmore.....	102.80
14.	Jasper.....	206.05	54.	Mount Lebanon ..	268.30
15.	Wetaskiwin.....	142.10	55.	Bassano.....	148.30
16.	Mountain View...	54.60	56.	Beaver.....	99.80
17.	Nanton.....	93.95	57.	Grassy Lake.....	80.60
18.	Britannia.....	121.45	58.	Chief Mountain. .	22.45
19.	Cornerstone.....	188.40	59.	King George.....	396.69
20.	Carstairs.....	56.15	60.	Aeolus.....	47.00
21.	King Hiram.....	164.80	61.	Provost.....	90.05
22.	Corinthian.....	230.50	62.	Coal.....	31.20
23.	Calgary.....	485.45	63.	Empire.....	345.40
24.	Vermilion.....	140.90	64.	Bow Island.....	153.80
25.	St. John's.....	170.10	65.	Diamond City...	80.25
26.	Sentinel.....	88.45	66.	St. Andrew's.....	110.00
27.	Apollo.....	138.10	67.	Charity.....	124.60
28.	Ashlar.....	223.50	68.	Edson.....	206.00
29.	Kenilworth.....	62.52	69.	Connaught.....	59.75
30.	Summit.....	80.25	70.	Quarry.....	65.80
31.	Doric.....	37.70	71.	Tawatinaw.....	91.30
32.	Cairo.....	4.00	72.	Coronation.....	124.35
33.	Staveland.....	69.25	73.	Brooks.....	147.75
34.	Star of the West..	148.35	74.	Vulcan.....	130.80
35.	Mizpah.....	171.65	75.	Harmony.....	45.10
36.	Gleichen.....	104.15	76.	Fidelity.....	100.00
37.	Camrose.....	234.50	77.	Stratheona.....	247.90
38.	Hope.....	53.60	78.	Hanna.....	114.30
39.	Lethbridge.....	206.95	79.	Morning Star.....	34.70

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
80.	Excelsior.....	87.40	125.	Cavell.....	80.35
81.	Commercial.....	240.50	126.	Pembina.....	41.60
82.	Acadia.....	80.50	127.	Granite.....	136.25
83.	Zetland.....	323.55	128.	Forestburg.....	29.80
84.	Champion.....	74.70	129.	Meridian.....	74.45
86.	Rocky Mountain .	98.55	130.	Hussar.....	68.60
87.	Crescent.....	202.95	131.	Kitscoty.....	49.30
88.	Wahpun.....	69.75	132.	Craigmyle.....	37.75
89.	Peace River.....	109.20	133.	Manyberries.....	88.40
90.	Norwood.....	247.30	134.	Renfrew.....	83.15
91.	Patricia.....	697.65	135.	Alliance.....	77.35
92.	Saskatchewan.....	172.10	136.	Cresset.....	50.15
93.	Symbol.....	242.40	137.	Irricana.....	103.20
94.	Lamont.....	119.70	138.	Onoway.....	47.80
95.	Kitchener.....	37.40	139.	Melrose.....	38.80
96.	Dynamic.....	48.50	140.	Big Valley.....	39.20
97.	Albion.....	61.95	141.	Efficiency.....	21.95
98.	Hand Hill.....	48.80	142.	Ivanhoe.....	228.80
100.	Verdigris.....	154.15	143.	Jasper Park.....	139.55
101.	West Edmonton..	86.65	144.	Gratton.....	57.70
102.	Edgerton.....	37.85	145.	St. Alban's.....	85.20
103.	Foremost.....	48.45	146.	Drumheller.....	41.20
104.	Oyen.....	67.40	147.	Northland.....	21.80
105.	Grande Prairie....	128.55	148.	Mayerthorpe....	23.85
106.	Lake Saskatoon...	77.45	149.	Rosebud.....	88.05
107.	Carbon.....	132.25	150.	Donalda.....	38.00
108.	Pyramid.....	81.00	151.	Lochearn.....	81.50
109.	Ancient Landmark	66.70	152.	Standard.....	29.45
110.	Kilwinning.....	83.15	154.	Waskatenau.....	30.45
111.	Nobleford.....	71.05	155.	Earl Haig.....	20.40
112.	Victory.....	37.40	156.	Hythe.....	36.40
113.	Cyprus.....	84.05	157.	Sharon.....	49.60
114.	Westlock.....	44.90	158.	Berry Creek.....	70.10
115.	Crocus.....	27.95	159.	Lucerne.....	32.10
116.	Spirit River.....	54.05	160.	Sexsmith.....	93.25
117.	Dominion.....	66.80		Masonic District No. 9.	80.05
118.	St. Mark's.....	61.75		Masonic District No. 10.	91.00
119.	York.....	72.95		Masonic District No. 11.	50.00
120.	Monitor.....	52.80		Masonic District No. 15.	88.30
121.	Clive.....	31.90		Sundry Account.....	77.00
122.	Rising Sun.....	94.70			
123.	Rockyford.....	99.90			
124.	Concord.....	181.80			
				Total.....	\$19,327.31

DEBIT BALANCES

As at January 31, 1934

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
3.	Alberta.....	\$ 80	23.	Calgary.....	12.25
4.	North Star.....	3.20	27.	Apollo.....	1.90
6.	Spitzie.....	.75	28.	Ashlar.....	1.20
7.	Edmonton.....	1.50	29.	Kenilworth.....	3.00
9.	Perfection.....	1.00	32.	Cairo.....	46.35
14.	Jasper.....	.40	34.	Star of the West..	.75

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
35.	Mizpah.....	4.00	108.	Pyramid.....	2.00
38.	Hope.....	6.95	110.	Kilwinning.....	2.60
39.	Lethbridge.....	4.25	113.	Cyprus.....	2.00
42.	Bowden.....	.75	114.	Westlock.....	3.55
45.	Ionic.....	11.15	115.	Crocus.....	.65
48.	Crossfield.....	354.65	118.	St. Mark's.....	29.35
49.	Robert Burns.....	6.30	120.	Monitor.....	77.40
51.	Unity.....	2.25	121.	Clive.....	6.70
54.	Mount Lebanon..	.80	124.	Concord.....	7.30
58.	Chief Mountain..	10.35	127.	Granite.....	22.10
63.	Empire.....	5.85	128.	Forestburg.....	33.90
66.	St. Andrew's.....	.65	131.	Kitscoty.....	.10
69.	Connaught.....	4.00	134.	Renfrew.....	2.00
70.	Quarry.....	6.30	140.	Big Valley.....	2.40
73.	Brooks.....	.65	142.	Ivanhoe.....	4.65
76.	Fidelity.....	45.05	145.	St. Alban's.....	2.05
78.	Hanna.....	.70	146.	Drumheller.....	12.65
79.	Morning Star.....	2.45	147.	Northland.....	.25
82.	Acadia.....	5.20	148.	Mayerthorpe....	2.00
83.	Zetland.....	.35	149.	Rosebud.....	4.00
84.	Champion.....	6.65	153.	Whitecourt.....	87.85
87.	Crescent.....	98.40	154.	Waskatenau.....	.15
88.	Wahpun.....	2.40	155.	Earl Haig.....	12.40
89.	Peace River.....	50.75	158.	Berry Creek.....	7.20
90.	Norwood.....	.75	159.	Lucerne.....	2.55
93.	Symbol.....	4.75	160.	Sexsmith.....	6.15
100.	Verdigris.....	.35			
101.	West Edmonton..	7.50			
102.	Edgerton.....	.15			
				Total.....	\$1,051.40

CREDIT BALANCES

As at January 31, 1934

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
5.	Cascade.....	\$ 6.65	72.	Coronation.....	.15
8.	Innisfail.....	.20	75.	Harmony.....	.15
12.	Red Deer.....	.25	81.	Commercial.....	1.45
13.	Victoria.....	.01	91.	Patricia.....	1.20
16.	Mountain View..	.05	95.	Kitchener.....	17.40
19.	Cornerstone.....	1.85	96.	Dynamic.....	.15
20.	Carstairs.....	.45	97.	Albion.....	.60
31.	Doric.....	.05	98.	Hand Hill.....	2.65
33.	Stavely.....	.45	103.	Foremost.....	.30
40.	Joppa.....	1.65	104.	Oyen.....	.75
41.	King Solomon...	1.00	105.	Grande Prairie...	7.55
44.	Buffalo Park.....	.65	106.	Lake Saskatoon...	.50
50.	Comet.....	.35	112.	Victory.....	.15
53.	Strathmore.....	4.15	116.	Spirit River.....	1.20
59.	King George.....	2.59	119.	York.....	20.30
60.	Acme.....	.50	122.	Rising Sun.....	.15
62.	Coal.....	.25	126.	Pembina.....	.15
65.	Diamond City....	1.00	130.	Hussar.....	.35

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
133.	Manyberries.....	2.55	Masonic District No. 11.		.10
139.	Melrose.....	.15	Masonic District No. 12.		1.50
141.	Efficiency.....	.80	Masonic District No. 14.		1.40
143.	Jasper Park.....	.15	Masonic District No. 15.		3.00
144.	Gratton.....	.35			
Masonic District No. 5.		.10	Total.....		\$ 87.35

INTEREST ACCOUNT

As at January 31, 1934

Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Bonds, Benevolent
Fund.....\$1,917.73

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Calgary, May 15th, 1934.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I have conducted an audit of the books of your Grand Secretary to January 31st, 1934, and append herewith the following statements:

Balance Sheet as at January 31st, 1934.

Revenue Account for the fiscal period.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the General Fund, Relief and Benevolent Fund.

Schedule showing the changes effected in the Benevolent Capital Account and the Relief Fund Account during the years.

I have had submitted to me full and sufficient vouchers covering all expenditures which were duly authorized by your Finance Committee.

I examined the securities of the Benevolent Fund and Relief Fund and found same to be in order. These are now all registered as to principal in the name of the Grand Lodge.

Trust Funds. During the year your Grand Secretary was requested to dispense benevolence on behalf of the United Grand Lodge of England, and to this end the funds received were deposited in a separate Bank Account. I have verified this account and shown the balance on hand in the Balance Sheet.

Subject to the foregoing remarks, I certify the attached Balance Sheet and accompanying statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit the true financial position of the Grand Lodge, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the books.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM IRELAND,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

Balance Sheet as at 31st January, 1934

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
General Fund:		General Fund:	
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia.....	\$ 2,654.23	Balances due to Lodges.....	\$ 87.35
Balances due from Lodges.....	1,051.40	Unexpired Proportion of Life Memberships.....	778.35
Books, Stationery & Supplies...\$3,388.88		Surplus Account:	
Less amount written off Con- stitutions.....	366.26	Balance Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$9,549.79
Office Supplies on hand.....	3,022.62	Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure.....	43.03
Furniture and Fixtures.....	332.38	Plus Defunct Lodge Balances ..	211.87
Regalia.....	2,340.50		9,804.69
	903.00		
	<u>\$ 10,304.13</u>	Less amount written off Con- stitutions.....	366.26
			<u>\$ 9,438.43</u>
Benevolent Fund:		Benevolent Fund	
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia.....	1,951.71	Capital Account—	
Investment in Bonds (cost) (Par Value, \$193,186.66).....	184,324.45	As per schedule attached.....	188,193.89
Accrued Interest.....	1,917.73	Relief Fund:	
	<u>188,193.89</u>	Surplus Account—	
Relief Fund:		As per schedule attached.....	15,100.83
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia.....	7,612.02	Trust Funds:	
Investments in Bonds (cost).....	7,403.75	Walton Trust Fund—	
(Par Value \$7,500.00)		United Grand Lodge of England.....	285.00
Accrued Interest.....	85.06	Canada Lodge Hospital Fund:	
	<u>15,100.83</u>	Special Trust Fund set up by Resolution of Grand Lodge, June, 1933.....	583.57
Trust Funds:			
Walton Trust Fund—Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia.....			
Canada Lodge Hospital Fund—Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia.....			
	<u>285.00</u>		
	<u>583.57</u>		
	<u>\$214,467.42</u>		<u>\$214,467.42</u>

Calgary, Alberta, May 15th, 1934.

This is the Balance Sheet referred to in my report of this date.

WM. IRELAND, Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**REVENUE ACCOUNT**

For 12 Months ended 31st January, 1934

By Membership Fees.....	\$ 9,042.95
Initiation Fees.....	380.00
Certificate Fees.....	617.00
Charter Fees.....	35.00
Dispensations.....	255.00
Life Membership Fees.....	241.93
Supplies sold.....	1,114.40
Regalia Sales.....	260.50
Affiliation Fees.....	150.00
Gross Income.....	\$12,096.78
To Cost of Supplies Sold:	
Inventory, Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$3,706.44
Purchases.....	550.88
	\$4,257.32
Less Inventory, Jan. 31, 1934.....	3,388.88
	\$ 868.44
To Cost of Regalia Sales.....	229.50
To Office Expenses:	
Salaries.....	\$4,840.00
Rent and Light.....	1,140.00
Telephones and Telegrams.....	137.67
Postage and Express.....	239.77
Janitor Service.....	165.55
Office Supplies and Expense.....	118.30
General Expenses.....	175.97
	\$6,817.26
To Printing.....	\$1,084.88
Travelling and Grand Master's	
Expense.....	1,195.03
Grand Lodge Expense.....	309.99
Insurance.....	76.00
Exchange.....	50.85
Special Grants.....	1,100.00
	\$3,816.75
To Depreciation:	
Furniture and Fixtures.....	\$ 250.00
Regalia.....	71.80
	\$ 321.80
	\$12,053.75
Excess of Income over Expenditure.....	\$ 43.03

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**BENEVOLENT FUND CAPITAL ACCOUNT**

As at 31st January, 1934

By Balance, Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$191,379.82	
Interest on Savings Account.....	21.71	
Grand Lodge Dues.....	935.00	
To Reversing Canada Lodge refund charged to Benevolent Fund in 1933.....	583.57	
Expenses re Registration of Bonds.....	102.61	
Adjustment on Interest.....	427.94	
Loss on Bonds sold.....	3,028.52	
To Balance.....	188,193.89	
	<u>\$192,336.53</u>	<u>\$192,336.53</u>

RELIEF FUND SURPLUS ACCOUNT

As at 31st January, 1934

By Balance, Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$ 9,719.63	
Grand Lodge Dues.....	6,459.25	
Interest on Bonds.....	10,133.68	
Interest on Savings Account.....	113.87	
To Cheques issued on Grants.....	\$ 11,325.60	
Balance.....	15,100.83	
	<u>\$ 26,426.43</u>	<u>\$ 26,426.43</u>

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements from February 1st, 1933, to January 31st, 1934

RECEIPTS

To Balance in Bank, February 1, 1933.....\$ 2,510.06
 Receipts from Lodges..... 19,327.31

DISBURSEMENTS

By Books and Supplies.....\$ 550.88
 Salaries..... 4,840.00
 Printing..... 1,084.93
 Travelling and Grand Master's
 Expenses..... 1,195.03
 Rent..... 1,140.00
 Postage and Express..... 239.77
 Office Supplies..... 118.30
 Janitor Service..... 165.55
 General Expense..... 175.97
 Telephones and Telegrams..... 137.67
 Insurance..... 76.00
 Exchange..... 60.00
 ----- \$ 9,784.10
 Grand Lodge Expense..... 143.49
 Special Grants..... 1,100.00
 Regalia Purchases..... 670.80
 Furniture and Fixtures..... 90.50
 Transferred to Benevolent Fund..... 935.00
 Transferred to Relief Fund..... 6,459.25
 Balance in Bank..... 2,654.23
 ----- \$ 21,837.37

\$ 21,837.37

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

From February 1st, 1933, to January 31st, 1934

BENEVOLENT FUND

To Balance in Bank, Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$ 3,486.60	
Grand Lodge Dues.....	935.00	
Interest on Savings Account.....	21.71	
Cash received from Bonds being difference between Sale Price Sterling Bonds and re- purchase in currency.....	510.39	
By Bonds Purchased.....		\$ 4,042.02
Charges on Registration of Bonds.....		88.25
Transfer of Canada Lodge Donation to special Trust Account.....		583.57
Balance in Bank.....		239.86
	<u>\$ 4,953.70</u>	<u>\$ 4,953.70</u>

RELIEF FUND

To Balance in Bank, Feb. 1, 1933.....	\$ 9,415.18	
Grand Lodge Dues.....	6,459.25	
Interest on Bonds:		
1932-33.....	\$ 2,016.30	
1933-34.....	10,128.69	
	<u>12,144.99</u>	
Interest on Savings Account.....	113.87	
Receipts from Lodges on Account of Bene- ficiaries.....	560.50	
By Invested in Bonds.....		\$ 7,483.82
Cheques issued on Grants.....		11,325.60
Payments to Beneficiaries, see contra.....		560.50
Balance in Bank.....		9,323.87
	<u>\$28,693.79</u>	<u>\$28,693.79</u>

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6)-seconded by R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore (23), 'That the report of the Grand Secretary, except that of the Financial Statement, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report, and the Financial Statement, including the Auditor's Report, be referred to the Committee on Finance.'

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock (35), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, (28), "That the District Deputy Grand Masters be requested to submit short summaries of their reports, and that the reports in full be printed in the Annual Proceedings."

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

Calgary, May 17, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I respectfully submit, for your approval, my report as your District Deputy in District No. 1.

I have visited every lodge in the district, officially, at least once, and unofficially on various occasions. In all cases expressions of loyalty to Grand Lodge, as well as a desire to co-operate have been freely given, while the courtesies offered on all my visits and the hearty welcome extended to me by every brother with whom I came in contact will not lightly be forgotten.

On my official visit to King George Lodge No. 59, by command of the M. W. the Grand Master, I had the privilege of investing V. W. Bro. K. J. Morrison, a Past Master of the lodge, as Junior Grand Deacon.

The Annual District Meeting was held in Calgary on October 28th, and was well attended. M. W. Bro. Martland, Grand Master, honored the district with an official visit and was accompanied by M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, M. W. Bros. J. T. Macdonald, R. Patterson, S. J. Blair, W. M. Connacher and F. S. Selwood, Past Grand Masters, as well as many other Grand Lodge officers. The opening of a lodge was exemplified by the officers and members of Renfrew Lodge, No. 134, and the closing by the officers and members of Mount Lebanon Lodge No. 54. Two addresses of a timely and instructive nature were given, in the afternoon by Bro. P. J. Dorrian, and in the evening by M. W. Bro. Martland, both of which were well received and appreciated by the brethren. The ballot for D.D.G.M. resulted in the election of W. Bro. William Noble of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 118.

On November 22nd an informal gathering was arranged in Calgary, invitations being extended to members of all lodges in the district, for the purpose of hearing a description of the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple, in London, England. M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, who was the guest of honor, is always a pleasing and eloquent speaker, but on this occasion he surpassed himself, so that the brethren present were genuinely sorry when he had to bring his remarks to a conclusion. On April 20th, M. W. Bro. Blackstock paid a visit to King George Lodge No. 59, giving a further opportunity of hearing this most inter-

esting address, and the thanks of the district are extended to him for the time and energy he has sacrificed in the interest of the Craft.

Among other outstanding addresses delivered during the year was one on Canada by W. Bro. G. D. Stanley, given at the Tenth Anniversary and Canadian Night Celebration of Renfrew Lodge, No. 134, and one by Bro. A. E. Ottewell of Acadia Lodge, No. 11, delivered at the Annual Canadian Night of Zetland Lodge, No. 83. These are mentioned because of their particular relation to present day conditions.

I accompanied the M. W. the Grand Master on visits to Perfection Lodge No. 9, on June 15th, to Zetland Lodge No. 83, on April 19th, and to Concord Lodge No. 124, on May 5th. At Zetland Lodge M. W. Bro. Martland with the assistance of other Grand Lodge officers, exemplified the conferring of the first degree in a manner befitting the dignity of his office, and later explained in detail the symbolism pertaining to the degree.

The items referred to District Deputy Grand Masters at the last session of Grand Lodge received my careful and earnest attention. The resolution moved by R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay, in regard to secrecy and the careless handling of lodge notices, was dealt with on all my official visits, some lodges sending a copy of the resolution to all their members.

The recommendation of the Committee on Finance in regard to the heavy balance due from one of the lodges in this district was duly taken up. I found the amount was increased by the June returns and the finances of the lodge unable to take care of it. I suggested a new start with the payment of current accounts and the gradual reduction of arrears. Since then the lodge has improved its conditions considerably, taking care of its obligations in the December returns, and materially reducing its outside liabilities, so that, with patience and encouragement, it would appear to be well on the way to recovery.

The objects of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education were explained on every possible occasion, and the work of this committee appears to be duly appreciated throughout the district. Many interesting papers were read, and, while the subjects did not always conform to the program laid down by the committee, the time and study given by all brethren contributing to this effort is to be highly commended. Gleichen Lodge No. 36 shows special activity in this work.

The year has been an active one, although candidates were few, but wherever degrees were conferred the work was conducted in an efficient and capable manner. A true Masonic spirit generally prevails and inter-visitation of lodges is frequent. The question of arrears of dues and suspensions therefor gives cause for concern, but the lodges are giving earnest consideration to it and arriving at the conclusion that it is better to deal with the situation promptly, by remission or otherwise, rather than permit accumulations. In this respect there is a general feeling that the names of worthy brethren whose dues are remitted should not have to be read out in open lodge.

My thanks are due to W. Bro. J. C. McDougall for his untiring efforts as District Secretary; to M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis for the advice and assistance he so freely gave at all times; to the many talented brethren who contributed to musical programmes; and to the

Worshipful Master, officers and members of Perfection Lodge No. 9, for their enthusiastic co-operation at Crossfield.

To the officers and member of all lodges in the district I tender my sincere appreciation for their expressions of confidence, together with my thanks for their hearty co-operation during my term of office. I trust that my efforts have in some small way justified the honor they conferred upon me by entrusting the supervision of the district to my care.

Fraternally submitted,

F. V. TRUESDALE,
D.D.G.M. District No. 1.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

Bassano, May 18, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report for Masonic District No. 2 for the year 1933-34.

I shall have visited officially all the lodges in my district once, and some of them several times, and found them all to be progressing favorably, considering the trying times through which we have been passing.

A brief review of the Statistical Report discloses that there is a net decrease in membership of 2, made up as follows:

Decrease by Death, 8; Suspension N.P.D., 10; Dimits, 11;	
Total.....	29
Increase by Initiations, 15; Affiliations, 10; Restorations, 2;	
Total.....	27
Net Decrease.....	2
Total Assets of the Lodges in the District.....	\$31,506.04
Total Liabilities.....	4,014.06
Balance of Assets over Liabilities.....	\$27,419.98
Paid out in Relief.....	\$ 521.81
Total Fire Insurance in force.....	15,300.00

Three lodges own their lodge buildings and the other five rent their quarters.

The following are brief reports of my official visits to the lodges in the district:

September 12, 1933. My first official visit was to my own lodge, Bassano No. 55, when there was a large attendance of brethren from Gleichen, Brooks and Hussar, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. A banquet was held after the meeting and Bro. (Rev.) House, of Gleichen gave a very interesting and instructive address on the Symbols of Masonry. There was no degree work, but the officers and members

of Bassano Lodge are keen and enthusiastic and a real spirit of fellowship exists.

I have attended every meeting of this lodge, except one, and am pleased to report that a very active interest is being taken in Educational and Research work, a series of lectures being arranged. The books are well kept and the Historical Register is being written up to date.

September 19, 1933. Accompanied by a large number of brethren from Bassano, I officially visited Brooks Lodge No. 73. There was no degree work but the officers appear to be very proficient and receive splendid co-operation from the Past Masters. The books and records are very well kept, being in the custody of R. W. Bro. C. E. Anderson, the Secretary. They have a well compiled Historical Register and their finances are in excellent shape.

DISTRICT MEETING

October 10, 1933. The District Meeting was held on this date in the City of Medicine Hat. At the afternoon session there were 91 members present and every lodge in the district was represented. The meeting was opened by the officers of Bow Island Lodge No. 64, and closed by those of Mizpah Lodge No. 35. M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master, accompanied by R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. W. J. Snaddon, Grand Treasurer, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bro. W. M. Conacher, Custodian of the Work, were present. The Master or representative of each of the lodges gave a short report of the condition of their respective lodges. On behalf of the district, R. W. Bro. D. Macadam of Brooks Lodge No. 73 presented R. W. Bro. F. Y. Archibald, with a P.D.D.G.M. Jewel. V. W. Bro. V. W. Parrish of Medicine Hat Lodge, No. 2, was duly elected to the office of D.D.G.M. for 1934-35, and the place chosen to hold the next District Meeting was Medicine Hat.

The evening session was attended by 225 brethren, when a sumptuous repast was enjoyed. The Grand Master gave a most inspiring address on "Oneness of Unity" and the other Grand Officers present briefly addressed the gathering. Another very interesting feature was an address by M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock on "The Dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial Temple in London, England." Amongst those attending were several brethren from lodges in Havre, Montana, one of whom responded to the "Toast to the Visitors" and brought greetings from our brethren across the Border.

This meeting was voted to have been one of the most enjoyable and enthusiastic gatherings ever held in the district.

December 27, 1933—St. John's Night: At the request of Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, I visited them and acted as Installing Officer, when the officers of Medicine Hat No. 2, Mizpah, No. 35, and Quarry Lodge No. 70, of Redcliff, were installed and invested for 1934. I was ably assisted by a number of Past Masters of these lodges. There was a large attendance and I was accompanied by a number of brethren from Bassano Lodge. A banquet was served after the ceremonies were over and the Toast List provided some excellent speakers. The evening will long be remembered by me.

February 20, 1934. I paid an official visit to Mizpah Lodge No. 35, and saw the second degree conferred on a candidate in a perfect manner. The officers of this lodge are well skilled in the work, and a

spirit of the utmost harmony prevails. Benevolence is receiving attention, a good library is in constant use and great interest is being taken in educational work. The books and records are kept in splendid shape.

April 24, 1934. Accompanied by a number of members of Bassano Lodge I visited informally at Brooks, when no less than 99 members of the Medicine Hat and Redcliff Lodges paid a fraternal visit, and a play entitled "For the Honor of the Craft" was presented by members of the Medicine Hat Research Committee, and Bro. J. H. Collier of Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, gave a very interesting address. A most enjoyable evening was spent, these fraternal visits being much appreciated by the brethren.

May 1, 1934. I visited Quarry Lodge No. 70, at Redcliff, in my official capacity, in company with members from Bassano Lodge. The officers of Quarry Lodge appear to be thoroughly efficient and a most optimistic spirit prevails. There are considerable arrears of taxes against their hall and it appears as if they may have to allow the building to revert to the town and make arrangements to rent a suitable hall. The books and records are well kept and with improvement in general conditions this lodge should forge ahead. Great interest is being taken in research work.

May 10, 1934. On this date I paid an official visit to Grassy Lake Lodge No. 57. There was no degree work, but a splendid Masonic spirit prevails. The books are well kept and although this is one of the smaller lodges of the district, they are showing great activity and doing good work. I was received with great hospitality after a long drive and greatly enjoyed my visit.

May 15, 1934. I visited Bow Island Lodge No. 64, accompanied by W. Bro. H. T. Johnson of Bassano Lodge, and was particularly pleased to find that a large contingent from the Medicine Hat lodges was present. There was no degree work, but the business was carried out in an exemplary manner and the records are well kept.

May 16, 1934. Accompanied by M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock and about ten members from Medicine Hat, I visited Manyberries Lodge No. 133. This is a new lodge in District No. 2 this year, it taking the place of Lucerne Lodge No. 159 of Vauxhall which was placed in District No. 7. Manyberries Lodge is the smallest lodge in the district in point of membership, but what is lacking in numbers is amply made up for by enthusiasm, many of its members living at a considerable distance, but showing a splendid record of attendance. The books are well kept and the officers appear to be very capable.

I still have to pay an official visit to Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, on May 29, 1934.

In closing, I should like to congratulate the members of Medicine Hat lodges on their practice of visiting the smaller lodges of the district. A great impetus is given by these frequent visits and a more fraternal spirit engendered.

I also wish to record my thanks to the many brethren who have accompanied me on my visits, and to V. W. Bro. H. H. Beeber who has acted most efficiently as my District Secretary. I also wish to thank the members of Masonic District No. 2 for having elected me to this high office. I have tried to inculcate the principles of Morality and Benevolence at each of my visits, as well as to impress the necessity

for Masonic Research and Education, and I earnestly hope that my efforts have not been entirely fruitless. If the lodges have derived as much pleasure from my visits as I have personally, in visiting them, then I shall feel amply repaid.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. R. DONALDSON,
D.D.G.M. District No. 2.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, May 14, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honour to submit herewith my report as D.D.G.M. of the Third Masonic District for the year 1933-34.

It has been my pleasure to visit all the lodges of this district at least once and in some instances oftener during my year of office and it is indeed very gratifying to report that peace and harmony prevail in all the lodges of District No. 3.

The officers of the lodges generally show a high degree of skill and efficiency, and the exemplification of the work of the various degrees in the lodges shows a very commendable state of uniformity.

The records are usually well and carefully kept and the Historical Register written up to date or the material gathered to do so.

Financially, the lodges of the district are doing as well as can be expected in view of the general condition of stress which is being experienced by all. The amount of arrears of dues, however, is a matter which is causing considerable concern to each lodge.

The total membership of District No. 3 at December 31, 1933, was 1,325, a decrease of 51 from 1932.

The number of M. M. degrees conferred, 23; Affiliated, 17; Restored, 3; Dimitted, 23; Suspended N.P.D., 53; Died, 14. Average attendance of resident membership, 26.6 per cent.

Number of members twelve months in arrears of dues, 532—equaling 40 per cent of total membership.

All lodges are active, five reporting prospects as good, three reporting them as fair. Two lodges own their hall, three rent in the Masonic Temple and three rent in a non-Masonic building.

It has been the custom for some years for the lodges of Districts 3 and 12 to hold a joint meeting. This year, on October 21, 1933, they met again in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton. The meeting was opened by the officers of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142, Edmonton, and closed by Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71, Athabasca. The M. W. the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and other Grand Officers were present. All questions

were answered satisfactorily by the Custodians of the Work. R. W. Bro. A. E. Wynne was presented with the regalia of a P.D.D.G.M. for his services as D.D.G.M. for the year 1932-33. During the interval, R. W. Bro. John Thomson of Edson Lodge No. 68, Edson, was the selection for D.D.G.M. of District No. 3, subject to the confirmation of Grand Lodge. In the evening the lodges of Edmonton tendered a banquet to the members of Grand Lodge and visitors, which was enjoyed by all. The address of the evening was given by M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master.

My official visits were as follows:

June 29, 1933.....Edson Lodge No. 68.
 August 24.....Jasper Park Lodge No. 143.
 September 26.....Edmonton Lodge No. 7.
 November 8.....Meridian Lodge No. 129.
 November 11.....Commercial Lodge No. 81.
 March 6, 1934.....Star of the West Lodge No. 34.
 April 19.....Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 15.
 May 1.....Unity Lodge No. 51.

May I at this time express officially my sincere thanks to R. W. Bro. A. B. McCurdy, D.D.G.M., District No. 10, and the R. W. Bro. J. Madill, D.D.G.M., District No. 12, for their presence and support when making my official visits to the lodges in District No. 3.

In conclusion I wish to express to the brethren of this district my appreciation of the honour they have conferred upon me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. and I gratefully thank them for the many expressions of kindness and courtesy extended to me.

I also wish to thank the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland, for the many pleasant hours of companionship which I was permitted to have while accompanying him on his visits.

Fraternally submitted,

A. WEST,
 D.D.G.M. District No. 3.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Rocky Mountain House, May 15, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
 Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as District Deputy Grand Master, on the condition of Masonry in District No. 4 for the year 1933-34.

Permit me first to record my keen appreciation of the confidence placed in me by the brethren in electing me to fill this high and responsible office. I was deeply sensible of the importance of the duties attached to the office and I have endeavored to fulfil them to the utmost of my ability, and if my efforts have accomplished anything for the progress of Masonry in the district, I shall feel amply repaid.

I have officially visited each lodge in the district once, and some on other occasions. Harmony and good feeling prevails, but the attendance generally is not what it should be.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Red Deer, on Thursday, September 28, 1933, with a fairly good attendance in the afternoon and many more at the evening session, delegates being present from every lodge with the exception of Kitchener Lodge No. 95. The meeting was opened by the officers of Red Deer Lodge No. 12. The D.D.G.M. after being welcomed and assuming the chair, received with honors the M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Connacher and M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair. An address of welcome to the representatives was then delivered by W. Bro. A. G. Ayres on behalf of the two Red Deer lodges and the Mayor of the City. A letter was read from M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, expressing his keen regret at being unable to be present through illness. The minutes of the last District Meeting were read by the District Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, and after their adoption a representative from each lodge was called upon and gave a report of the condition of his lodge. The Question Box on being opened was found to contain no less than twenty questions which were answered by the Grand Master and other Grand Officers, and some evoked considerable discussion to the advantage of all present.

Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, to partake of a very fine dinner, served by the ladies of the United Church. The evening session was opened by the officers of Kenilworth Lodge No. 29. Suggestions were made for the improvement of District Meetings, after which the election of D.D.G.M. for the coming year was held, resulting in the choice of V. W. Bro. C. R. Bunn of Kenilworth Lodge No. 29, and Ponoka was selected as the next place of meeting. The M. W. the Grand Master then gave a very eloquent and instructive address on "Unity", followed by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Connacher and M. W. Bro. Blair. The meeting was closed by the officers of Kenilworth Lodge and was successful from every point of view.

My first official visit was made to my own lodge, Lochearn No. 151, on June 20th and on this occasion the lodge was honored by a visit from M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, who delivered a very fine address. This lodge is making good progress, having had thirty new members since its inception in 1928. Great interest is taken in the Work and a spirit of harmony prevails. The lodge is to be commended on having some of its new members prepare and deliver addresses on subjects suggested by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Britannia Lodge I visited on September 7th, and witnessed the conferring of the third degree on two candidates. The Work was impressively done and it is evident that great interest is taken. M. W. Bro. Snedden honored me with his presence on this occasion, for which I was very grateful.

I paid my official visit to Innisfail Lodge No. 8, on October 19th. The attendance was good and a most fraternal spirit prevails. The books are exceedingly well kept, but for the number of members, the outstanding dues would seem to be excessive. The lodge is well officered and the prospects seem to be of the best.

The weak lodge in this district is Kitchener No. 95, which I visited on October 27th. This lodge was not represented at the District Meet-

ing, nor was there a report of its condition. The lodge is financially sound, but the officers would be well advised to make an effort to improve the work being done. Visits by other lodges to this lodge would certainly tend to improve the conditions prevailing.

My official visit to Bowden Lodge No 42 was made on October 31st. M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald was also a most welcome visitor on that occasion and delivered a most inspiring address, which brought out much favorable comment. Although small, this lodge is in good condition and has fair prospects. I again visited them on February 27th, 1934, together with M. W. Bro. Botterill, as a commission appointed by the Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary, when the charter of the lodge was arrested for a violation of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, but as this matter will be otherwise fully dealt with, I will not enlarge on it here.

On November 6th, I visited Mountain View Lodge No. 16, when the second degree was conferred in a very able manner. The financial condition of this lodge is excellent, the officers are most competent and the prospects good. This is one of the three lodges in the district which have shown an increase in membership during the depression.

King Hiram Lodge No. 21, was visited on November 14th. This lodge is fortunate in having a most capable set of officers. There was no degree work, but the business of the lodge is well conducted and a well organized effort is being made to reduce the outstanding dues. At the closing of the lodge they have a flag ceremony, which is most inspiring and patriotic.

I visited Eureka Lodge No. 10, on December 6th, when a good attendance was on hand and a splendid spirit shown. This was a most enjoyable visit. The lodge is in good financial position, well officered and has an active Secretary, whose books and records are in first class shape. I am sorry to report that the arrears of dues are much too great, but action is being taken to reduce the amount now outstanding.

I paid my official visit to Carstairs Lodge No. 20, on December 14th. This small but ambitious lodge is well officered and the books are in good shape, but the outstanding dues are far in excess of what a lodge of 45 members should have, although their financial position is fair.

I paid my official visit to Kenilworth Lodge No. 29, on May 1st, 1934. This lodge is in a sound financial condition, but there is being carried an excessive amount of unpaid dues. A committee is now making an effort to have this materially reduced. A fine spirit of brotherhood prevails and one cannot help but feel very much at home in this lodge.

Red Deer Lodge No. 12 was visited on May 8th, when the first degree was conferred on one who appeared to be of the most desirable Masonic material. The work was very commendably exemplified, the lecture being given by W. Bro. Mitchell word perfect. This lodge has paid out a considerable amount for relief during the year, and like its sister lodge is carrying a large amount of unpaid dues.

In his report for 1930, R. W. Bro. C. C. Hartman, D.D.G.M., called attention to the fact that there was a very large amount outstanding in the District for arrears of dues, then amounting to \$3,728.70, with the comment that "the condition was serious." At the close of 1933 the amount has increased until now it is \$5,995.54, and if the situation

was serious then it is doubly so now, and every effort possible should be made to materially reduce the amount.

The following statement will show just how the depression has affected District No. 4, and so that it will show the exact situation I have included the year 1928:

Statement Covering Six Years—1928-1933

No.	Lodge	In.	Af	Rest'd.	Dimit	N.P.D.	Died	De-crease	In-crease
8	Innisfail.....	6	8	1	17	6	6	14	..
10	Eureka.....	21	19	3	21	20	10	8	..
12	Red Deer.....	13	7	5	18	21	8	22	..
16	Mountain View..	22	12	4	7	21	4	..	6
18	Britannia.....	15	16	2	11	14	5	..	3
20	Carstairs.....	10	4	3	11	16	4	14	..
21	King Hiram.....	19	2	1	13	16	5	12	..
29	Kenilworth.....	9	14	..	25	13	6	21	..
42	Bowden.....	12	3	..	5	8	2	..	..
95	Kitchener.....	5	5	..	6	8	1	5	..
151	Lochearn.....	25	14	..	7	1	1	..	30
		157	104	19	141	144	52	96	39
Net decrease for six years.....								57	

In closing, I take the opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to the brethren who elected me to office and for the kindness and consideration accorded me on all my visits, which has made my term a most enjoyable one. I have travelled 1,876 miles making the rounds and regret my term is about to expire. I hope for my successor a continuance of the happy relations I have experienced. I wish to thank, most sincerely, those brethren who accompanied me on my visits, especially W. Bro. H. S. Mann, of Kenilworth Lodge, who was always present when an official visit was made. I also wish to thank R. W. Bro. W. H. Jackson of Innisfail Lodge for his efficient work as District Secretary and the sacrifice he must have made to accompany me on all my visits.

Faternally submitted,

W. J. KIRBY,

D.D.G.M. District No. 4.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Camrose, May 11, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

As the year in which I have had the honor to serve as your District Deputy in the Fifth Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of Alberta is now drawing to a close, I beg to submit herewith a short account of my stewardship and a report of the condition of Masonry in this district.

During my term of office I have visited officially every lodge in this district, as follows:

Excelsior Lodge No. 80.....	July 6, 1933.
Forestburg Lodge No. 128.....	Aug. 23, 1933.
Melrose Lodge No. 139.....	Oct. 10, 1933
Alliance Lodge No. 135.....	Sept. 6, 1933
Provost Lodge No. 61.....	Oct. 18, 1933.
Comet Lodge No. 50.....	Nov. 9, 1933
Coal Lodge No. 62.....	Feb. 15, 1934
Tuscan Lodge No. 43.....	April 4, 1934.
Harmony Lodge No. 75.....	April 23, 1934.
Morning Star Lodge No. 79.....	March 29, 1934
Efficiency Lodge No. 141.....	May 7, 1934
Camrose Lodge No. 37.....	May 10, 1934

On each and every visit I have been most cordially received as your representative and on several occasions have been accompanied by brethren from my mother lodge, Camrose, No. 37.

During the year 1933, 135 meetings were held throughout the district with an average attendance of 14. Seventeen degrees in all were conferred. The lodge membership of the district now stands at 504, eight having been suspended for N.P.D. and five were called to the Grand Lodge Above. As the income of this district is, for the most part, received from the products of the land, the matter of finance continues to be a serious problem. The collection of dues is rather difficult, 235 members being in arrears, with an average amount owing of \$14.58. In spite of this, practically all our lodges are in good financial standing, with assets over liabilities amounting to \$9,417.80. While the collection of dues is a problem and there are few candidates for degree work, I consider the condition of Masonry in this district was never on a more solid foundation. Absence of degree work has been a blessing in disguise, allowing more time for Masonic education and for the consideration and adoption of those high principles and ideals for which our Institution has stood for centuries past.

Very good support is being given to your Committee on Masonic Research and Education and it is now the usual custom for most lodges to have some Masonic subject discussed at each meeting. That skill and ability in the conferring of degrees may not be lost, the work of the various degrees is frequently exemplified. Inter-lodge visiting has become a habit and proven a source of great profit and pleasure to the brethren. When I visited officially Camrose Lodge No. 37, last evening, there were twenty visiting brethren present from Fidelity Lodge, No. 76, District No. 15.

Our District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Camrose, on September 25th, 1933. At this meeting W. Bro. Charles B. Sarjeant of Coal Lodge No. 62, Bawlf, was elected D.D.G.M. for the coming year, and it was decided to hold the next District Meeting at Bawlf. The Grand Master's address on "Unity" was very much appreciated, as were the short addresses given by the D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes; the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, Custodian of the Work, and other Grand Officers. In making arrangements for this meeting I was ably assisted by the officers and members of Camrose Lodge No. 37, the District Secretary, V. W. Bro. J. T. Johnson, the officers of Melrose Lodge No. 139, and, in fact, by all the brethren called upon to assist.

My heartfelt thanks and appreciation go out to all brethren in this district, not only for their sympathetic co-operation, but for their confidence manifested in my election as your District Deputy. I trust that within the scope of my limited ability I have been able in some measure at least to keep before the Craft the tenets and traditions of our Ancient and Honorable Institution, and that what I have done or tried to do may meet with your approval.

Fraternally submitted,

F. P. LAYTON,

D.D.G.M. District No. 5.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Okotoks, May 14, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 6, during my tenure of office.

DISTRICT MEETING

The Fifteenth Annual District Meeting was held on November 1st, 1933, in the Masnonic Hall, Okotoks. The Grand Lodge officers present were the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., Custodian of the Work; R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay, J.G.W., and M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair, P.G.M. The meeting was opened by Corinthian Lodge, No. 22, at 2:00 p.m. The D.D.G.M. was then formally received. The Grand Officers were reported in waiting and were received in fitting manner. The minutes of the last Annual District Meeting, held in Nanton, were read by R. W. Bro. V. C. W. Stanley, District Secretary.

The first degree was exemplified by the officers of Cairo Lodge No. 32, and received the commendation and friendly criticism of the Grand Master and Custodian of the Work. Some comments were made regarding the stations of assistant officers and stewards, the Custodian stating that uniformity in this regard should be established by Grand Lodge, and recommendations made to that effect.

The reports made by the Masters of the lodges in the district indicated progress and indeed, District No. 6 has held its own, in spite of present conditions.

Very little interest was shown in the Question Box, only a few questions being sent in.

At 6:30 p.m. an informal banquet was held in the reception room of the lodge hall, 117 brethren being present, and were entertained musically with some splendid selections rendered by the members of King George Lodge Orchestra, who had motored from Calgary expressly for the purpose, for which our thanks are due to our good friends R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay, J.G.W., and W. Bro. O. C. Smith, P.M. I think everyone present heartily enjoyed themselves.

Labor was resumed at 8:30 p.m. W. Bro. M. E. Malchow, P.M. of Stavely Lodge No. 33, was elected D.D.G.M. for 1934, and the town of Stavely was selected as the place of meeting for the next Annual Communication of the District.

The Grand Master then delivered an inspiring address, taking as his subject "Unity." Other Grand Lodge officers gave short addresses. The officers of Cornerstone Lodge No. 19, closed the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I made official visits to each of the six lodges comprising the District, as follows: Commencing at the south end of the line, Joppa, No. 40, on February 8th; Stavely, No. 33, February 14th; Cairo, No. 32, March 15th; Cornerstone, No. 19, April 20th; Corinthian, No. 22, my mother lodge, May 1st, and on the 10th of May, I completed the official round by visiting Nanton, No. 17. At all of these meetings I was received with the utmost cordiality.

The officers of the lodges in the district are very proficient in their work and the books and records, without exception, are in capable hands.

In conclusion, I wish to express sincere appreciation to the brethren for their splendid support during my term of office. I especially wish to thank R. W. Bro. V. C. W. Stanley, District Secretary, and R. W. Bros. Knowles and Paterson for their help. And finally, I trust that my humble efforts have in some measure promoted the welfare of Masonry throughout this Masonic district.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. ARDIEI,

D.D.G.M. District No. 6.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lethbridge, May 8, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy for the year 1933-34.

During my term of office I have visited all the lodges in District No. 7 as often as I possibly could, and I believe those visits have not been without results. I feel a District Deputy has a great opportunity of drawing the lodges in a district closer together in one common bond of brotherhood and fellowship, and I think this idea has been stressed in a wonderful way in District No. 7. I have been accompanied by the past three District Deputies on every one of my official visits, and if anything has been accomplished in this district for the uplift of Masonry during the past year, then a great deal of credit must go to those three brethren, R. W. Bros. Douglas, Davidson and James. Every lodge I have visited is feeling the economic pressure, but not in a single case have I heard a despondent or discordant note. In all cases the Secre-

taries have their work well in hand and they are dealing very patiently with those members, who are unable through no fault of their own to meet their financial obligations.

The district suffered a great loss in the death of Bro. Edmunds, our District Secretary. The District Deputy relied on Bro. Edmunds a great deal for the carrying on of his work and we feel that we have lost a real friend and brother in his passing.

I want to thank all the brethren of District No. 7 for the honor they conferred on me in electing me their District Deputy and the fine reception I received at every lodge meeting can never be forgotten.

NORTH STAR LODGE No. 4

In visiting North Star Lodge, as I have done many times this year, I am always impressed by the enthusiasm shown in their meetings and was favorably impressed by the manner in which the officers carry on their work. I paid my official visit on January 8th and received a very cordial reception from W. Bro. Fleetwood and his officers and members. I again visited them on April 23rd to see them put on the third degree, when the work was done in a most competent manner, from the examination of the candidate until the last charge was given. North Star has a great future before it, some very fine officers coming up and their secretarial work is in the hands of Bro. W. M. Edwards, who is very efficient, so that I feel sure that my confidence in this lodge will not be misplaced.

DORIC LODGE No. 31

It is always a pleasure to visit Doric Lodge, and when I paid my visit there on November 14th I found a fine Masonic spirit prevailing amongst the brethren. The minute I entered the lodge room I was made to feel as if I were in my own lodge. They have a fine set of officers, well skilled in the work. There is a good average attendance of members at every meeting and real fellowship is displayed. All their records are up to date and well kept, and all together I was impressed by the manner everything was carried out in Doric Lodge.

LETHBRIDGE LODGE No. 39

I have visited this lodge many times during the past year and on February 15th I paid my official visit and got a very fine reception from the Master, officers and members. I had the pleasure at this meeting of presenting W. Bro. H. Martin with a P. M.'s jewel. After the regular business of the lodge was completed, I gave a talk on Vision in Masonry, which aroused a good deal of discussion, which is good for the Craft. Lethbridge Lodge celebrated its 25th Anniversary on October 19th. The Past Masters were in charge of the meeting, with W. Bro. Sang in the Master's chair, performing his duties in an efficient manner and the meeting was enjoyed by all. Under the leadership of their Master, W. Bro. Lynn a special committee on Masonic Education is making a strong effort to encourage study in the coming year.

DIAMOND CITY LODGE No. 65

This lodge is one of the bright spots in District No. 7. I visited them on June 24th, when I had the honor of installing their officers and those of Sharon Lodge, No. 157. I was ably assisted by R. W. Bros. Douglas, Davidson and James, and also W. Bro. Sang. I paid my

official visit on February 1st, 1934, accompanied by about forty members from the City of Lethbridge, and was given a splendid reception, demonstrating the spirit of Masonry in a very telling way. The third degree was conferred in splendid style by W. Bro. Scott, assisted by R. W. Bro. James. I gave an address on "Friendship" which fitted in with the fraternal spirit always displayed by this lodge. Diamond City Lodge has a fine, healthy atmosphere of harmony and contentment and this meeting I regard as one of the happiest memories of my official visits.

CHARITY LODGE No. 67

This is my own lodge. I visited them at their meeting in March when the members of the other city lodges honored Charity Lodge and Grand Lodge by turning out in goodly numbers. We had a splendid meeting, followed by a fine hour of harmony. Being one of its charter members, I take much pride in the way in which the business of this lodge is conducted. Our Treasurer, Bro. Farnes, has been in continuous office for twenty-two years, as Secretary for five years and Treasurer for seventeen. Bro. Barrett has been our genial Secretary for at least ten years and I want to compliment these two brethren for their very efficient service.

Charity Lodge celebrated their 21st birthday on April 4th, by a banquet and dance, the musical programme being sponsored by W. Bro. Armitt. M. W. Bro. Patterson, P.G.M., was one of our speakers and we were more than glad to see him enjoying such robust health. I may add that our Master is a son of M. W. Bro. Patterson, and it was very pleasing to have his father as a distinguished guest at this celebration.

FOREMOST LODGE No. 103

I visited this lodge on September 6th, accompanied by R. W. Bros. Douglas, Davidson and James, P.D.D.G.M.'s, and W. Bro. Sang. Bro. Martin, a member of my own lodge, gave a very able address on the third degree. I found the members in a very happy, optimistic mood, due to the splendid crops in that district last year. W. Bro. Wilson, Master of the lodge, carried out his duties efficiently, assisted by the painstaking Secretary, Bro. Rowe. Foremost Lodge is doing its utmost to make Masonry worth while in their jurisdiction.

YORK LODGE No. 119

As in the case of the other city lodges, I have visited this lodge a good many times this year, and I want to say a word about the work being done by W. Bro. Thompson, Master of York Lodge. Like many others, this lodge has many members that are in arrears, and in addition to sending letters notifying the delinquents, W. Bro. Thompson is seeing many of them personally, with good results. The lodge has a very capable Secretary in Bro. Cherry, and I am confident that with these two officers working together, the arrears in this lodge will soon be considerably reduced. The death of Bro. Edmunds, late Secretary of the lodge was a sad blow, and as he had also been District Secretary for some years I felt the loss personally, he being always ready and willing to do his share and a little more.

SHARON LODGE No. 157

I visited Sharon Lodge on July 26th and according to your instructions invested Bro. Watson with the jewel of his office, Grand Steward,

and also invested the Senior Warden of the lodge. I again visited this lodge officially on April 23rd and was accompanied by R. W. Bros. Douglas, Davidson and James, and W. Bro. Sang, as I have been on every occasion that I have paid a visit. Sharon Lodge, in spite of difficulties, is showing a wonderful spirit and I am sure that they will emerge stronger and better from their economic troubles, through the sacrifices that are being made by the individual members. Their books are in first class shape and their Historical Register is up to date.

LUCERNE LODGE No. 159

Lucerne Lodge is the baby of our district, having been transferred from District No. 2 this year. I visited them on October 3rd, accompanied by a large number of brethren from Lethbridge and Taber. I again visited this lodge on May 1st, being again accompanied by a large number of brethren from Lethbridge and Taber as well as a few from Medicine Hat. On this occasion the third degree was exemplified in an able way. All officers, under W. Bro. Rose, excelled themselves and I am sure the candidate must have been impressed by the excellent manner in which the work was done. This lodge like many others is feeling the pinch of our economic situation, but they are not down-hearted and with a line up of efficient and enthusiastic officers I am confident there are happy and prosperous times ahead for them.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held in Lethbridge on Wednesday, October 11th. The M. W. the Grand Master was accompanied by the Grand Secretary and other Grand Lodge officers W. Bro. Brownlee of Foremost Lodge was elected D.D.G.M. for the year 1934-35.

The able and inspiring address given by the Grand Master was very much appreciated by all the brethren present. R. W. Bro. James was presented with a P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia by the M. W. the Grand Master, who complimented R. W. Bro. James on the very able manner he had performed his duties as D.D.G.M. who thanked the brethren for their beautiful gift and also for the support he had received during his term of office from all the brethren in District No. 7.

VERDIGRIS LODGE No. 100

In visiting Verdigris Lodge, which I did on November 23rd, I was impressed by the very fine spirit that prevailed at that meeting. I was accompanied by R. W. Bros. Davidson, James and Douglas and W. Bro. Sang, who all contributed a little to the entertainment of the evening. A fine understanding exists between the members during their session of business, and a splendid fraternal feeling is exemplified in their hour of harmony. The small amount of outstanding dues makes Verdigris a very pleasant lodge for a District Deputy to visit.

In conclusion, I again want to comment on the fine friendly Masonic spirit that exists between the lodges and members in District No. 7 and I sincerely hope that my successor will have the same co-operation as was given me.

Fraternally submitted,

ANDERSON C. LAKIE,

D.D.G.M. District No. 7.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Coleman, May 12, 1934

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to report to you my record of stewardship for the year 1933-34.

Each lodge in the district was visited once officially, and one or more unofficial visits were made to these lodges in the western section of the district.

On the kind invitation of Elk River Lodge, of Fernie, B.C., the members of Sentinel, Summit and Rocky Mountain Lodges journeyed to Fernie. The hospitality accorded us by the members of Elk River Lodge on this and former occasions, will, I hope, institute a more frequent interchange of visits between Fernie Lodge and the lodges in the western part of District No. 8.

On November 6th an assembly of the members of District No. 8 was held at the invitation of Spitzie Lodge No. 6 to welcome M. W. Bro. Blackstock, who delivered a most interesting illustrated lecture covering his visit to England, as official delegate of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, to the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial Temple in London. The recital of the philanthropic activities of the Grand Lodge of England was such as to stir our pride in Masonry, as M. W. Bro. Blackstock envisioned for us the scope and magnitude of benevolence to which the fraternity in England has committed itself. Well deserved thanks of the meeting were accorded to M. W. Bro. Blackstock. Lodge was not opened for the lecture and Spitzie Lodge was thus able to extend an invitation to attend to a number of brethren who had recently been suspended for N.P.D.—a courtesy much appreciated by the brethren affected.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Alberta, No. 3. Officially visited on February 21st, on the occasion of the raising of Bro. Wood by the Past Masters of the lodge, led by V. W. Bro. Kennedy. A large assembly was present and the well appointed lodge hall was a suitable setting for the impressive degree, exemplified in a manner quite in keeping with the standard and dignity of this pioneer lodge. It was greatly regretted that illness prevented the attendance of M. W. Bro. Patterson. The meeting was favored with the presence of a delegation from Cardston, headed by M. W. Bro. Middleton. The lodge is in excellent condition, with an enthusiastic membership, encouraged by able and active Past Masters, who are maintaining in worthy manner the traditions of their time-honored lodge.

I wish to record my thanks to Alberta Lodge for the thoughtful preparation made for my accommodation, carried out to the last detail in characteristic fashion by R. W. Bro. Lambert.

Spitzie, No. 6. The joint installation of officers of Spitzie and Chinook Lodges was held at Pincher Creek in June, 1933, at which I was kindly invited to officiate. The officers of the lodge were installed with fitting dignity, R. W. Bro. Crichton, assisted by M. W. Bro. Cruickshank giving the major portion of the ceremony.

In the earlier part of this report I have dealt with the activity of Spitzie Lodge, which resulted in the gathering of the brethren of the district to hear the address of M. W. Bro. Blackstock.

The members of Spitzie Lodge have very heartily accepted invitations to attend meetings in other parts of the district, notably at Blairmore and Cardston.

I visited this lodge officially on May 1st. The meeting was favored with a short lecture by R. W. Bro. Geering, dealing with the origin of Masonic symbols. The lecture was well delivered in the manner typical of R. W. Bro. Geering. The affairs of the lodge are being very capably administered and under the careful guidance of capable Past Masters every effort is being made to maintain a schedule of expenditure which is consistent with the decrease in revenue which the lodge is experiencing. The policy will, I feel, be carried through with that thoroughness which is associated with the name of Spitzie Lodge in all its undertakings.

Sentinel, No. 26. My official visit to this lodge was made on May 10th, at which meeting we were favored with the attendance of M. W. Bro. Cruickshank. A very interesting evening was spent in an active and general discussion by the brethren of Masonic topics.

I wish to thank R. W. Bro. Crichton, who so efficiently carried out the major part of the ceremony of the Installation of Officers at Pincher Creek of Spitzie and Chinook Lodges.

During the year Sentinel Lodge has suffered a distinct loss in the passing of R. W. Bro. F. J. Smith. The esteem and regard held for the late brother was manifest in the large number of brethren that journeyed to Calgary to take part in the funeral rites.

Summit, No. 30. The 1933 District Meeting was held at Coleman and the brethren appreciated the presence of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland; M. W. Bro. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bros. Patterson, Connacher, Cruickshank and Middleton, Past Grand Masters. A message of condolence was sent from the meeting to R. W. Bro. F. J. Smith, who was seriously ill at the Holy Cross Hospital, Calgary.

My home lodge was officially visited on December 27th, being the occasion of the Installation of Officers and presentation of jewel to the retiring Master, W. Bro. Garner. The absence of degree work in Summit Lodge during 1933 was compensated for by a very active schedule of Masonic Educational papers submitted by various brethren. The situation in this lodge is satisfactory, giving due consideration to the fact that the towns of this mining district are suffering from the slack conditions prevalent in the industry in general.

Chinook, No 47. My official visit to Chinook Lodge was made on April 23rd. With the true spirit of Masonic builders, this rural lodge has shouldered the responsibility of building a suitable hall, which stands as a tribute to the enterprise of the brethren, more particularly when it is considered that the undertaking was commenced at a time of very depressed conditions in the farming areas. The moveable furniture of the lodge is the handiwork of R. W. Bro. Murphy and Bro. Schneider and indicates the practical interest which these brethren have in their Masonic home. Practically all the brethren of this lodge come considerable distances, over country roads, to attend lodge and their record of attendance speaks well for their enthusiasm. The spirit of fellowship is most marked and a visit to Chinook is Masonic refresh-

ment. The lodge has adopted a well-considered scheme for dealing with the question of arrears of dues. The records of the lodge are in excellent order, including the Historical Register, which is right up to date.

Chief Mountain, No. 58 I officially visited this lodge on May 8th, at which were welcomed a large number of visitors from Spitzie Lodge. M. W. Bro. Middleton delivered a most forceful address, linking Freemasonry with policies of international scope and importance. A visit to the unique lodge hall of Chief Mountain Lodge adequately compensates for the long trip from the western section of District No. 8.

Rocky Mountain, No. 86. On November 27th the ceremony of the third degree was exemplified by a degree team, composed of Grand Lodge officers of Sentinel, Summit and Rocky Mountain Lodges. At this meeting a large number were present from Spitzie Lodge and some brethren from Elk River Lodge of Fernie, B.C.

During the splendid banquet which Rocky Mountain Lodge provided, the gathering gave official recognition to the presence of Bro. Beebe, who had recently completed his sixty-seventh year of Masonry and who is still an active officer of the lodge.

The official visit to the lodge I made in March. The affairs of the lodge are being capably administered. Their records, including the Historical Register, are kept perfectly and reflect very creditably on W. Bro. Harper, the Secretary. The attendance of members shows the natural reaction to the troubled period through which the district is passing.

Conclusion. I thank the brethren of District No. 8 for the cordial welcome and hospitality extended to me and I am indebted to those brethren from Summit Lodge who accompanied me throughout the district and whose attendance contributed to the success and worth of the meetings. It is my hope that the know'edge gained and the contacts made during the year will help me to further the interests of Masonry in this district. I report, M. W. Sir, that on every occasion I have been received and treated with becoming dignity, as your Deputy.

Faternally submitted,

A. F. SHORT,

D.D.G.M. District No. 8:

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Gadsby, May 6, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I beg to submit for your consideration the following report on the condition of Masonry, as I have found it, in the Ninth Masonic District during my term as District Deputy Grand Master.

At the out-set, I wish to express to the brethren of this District who appointed me to this office, my sincere appreciation of the honor they conferred upon me. I have enjoyed my work and have endeavored to perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

The Annual District Meeting was held in Apollo Lodge No. 27, Stettler, on September 27th, 1933. There was a registered attendance of 143, all the lodges in the District being represented. The meeting was opened by the officers of Apollo Lodge in the third degree. The following Grand Lodge officers were received in form: M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., Custodian of the Work; M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair, P.G.M.; R. W. Bro. R. A. Everett, D.D. G.M. of District No. 9, and V. W. Bro. Raper, S.G.D. Reports were received from all the lodges in the district, during the afternoon and V. W. Bro. Raper gave an interesting talk on Tectonic Art and the Work of the Ancient Freemasons' Guilds. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 o'clock to the basement of the United Church, where refreshments were served.

The evening session opened at 7:30, and W. Bro. Jesse Ruttan of Coronation was elected to be D.D.G.M. for the next term and Coronation was chosen as the place of meeting. Many questions were asked during this session, which were ably answered by the Custodians of the Work.

During my term of office I have been able to visit each lodge in the District officially, as follows:

APOLLO LODGE No. 27

On March 5th, 1934, I made my official visit to Apollo Lodge at Stettler. Being a resident of Stettler, I have been in frequent attendance at their regular meetings and know the officers to be proficient in their work, both in the work of the lodge and in the degree work. This lodge has recently built a Masonic Hall of their own, which will be finished this Spring. They now occupy it. The lodge room is comfortable and commodious and is a credit to the members of the lodge. There is a comparatively small debt owing on the building, which the committee in charge will endeavor to wipe off before the end of the year. Attendance is good, the officers efficient, the books well kept and the Historical Register up to date. They had one candidate last year and have at least two more for this year. The prospects for this lodge are bright and encouraging.

IONIC LODGE No. 45

I visited Ionic Lodge No. 45, at Alix, on March 29th, 1934. There was only a small attendance owing to illness amongst the membership. Their membership is small but the members are enthusiastic, particularly the Past Masters. There was no degree work and none in prospect, but the Committee on Masonic Research and Education is active and have mapped out a programme for the next few months. Their books are well kept and their finances are in good shape, but the Historical Register has been entirely neglected. This they have promised to remedy this year.

BEAVER LODGE No. 56

My official visit to Beaver Lodge No. 56, at Castor, was made on December 6th, 1933. I was accompanied by W. Bros. Drinnan and Deane of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 122, and W. Bro. Connolly of Apollo Lodge. There was no degree work, but the annual election was held that evening. The officers were capable and efficient in their work. The books are neat and well kept and the Historical Register well in hand. Their finances are in excellent shape and they have no liabilities. They own their hall, which is also a source of revenue. They have a

fairly large number of young members, who are quite enthusiastic in their work. A friendly Masonic spirit prevailed and their reception of visitors was most cordial.

CORONATION LODGE No. 72

I had the pleasure of making my official visit to this lodge on March 1st, 1934, accompanied by W. Bros. Deane and Drinnan of Rising Sun Lodge No. 122, and W. Bro. Connolly of Apollo Lodge No. 27. I was received most cordially by the officers and members and made to feel very much at home. I examined the books and found them well kept. The finances are good, but the Historical Register has been entirely neglected. They have promised to attend to this at once and I hope my successor will find this promise well kept at the time of his official visit. The second degree was exemplified in an efficient manner, the officers showing themselves proficient in their work. A real Masonic spirit was manifest. Prospects for future success are quite bright.

MONITOR LODGE No. 120

Monitor Lodge was visited officially on November 30th, 1933. This lodge is at the extreme eastern end of the District, necessitating a drive of 123 miles each way. It is located in a district that has been particularly hard hit during the depression, but the members are active and are carrying on bravely. They own their lodge building and have few liabilities. Their books are well and carefully kept and they have made a splendid effort in getting their Historical Register compiled. I received a very cordial reception and my pleasure in visiting this lodge was enhanced by their spirit of friendship and goodwill. There was no degree work, but in the routine business of the lodge the officers showed themselves proficient. During the month of March, this year, this lodge suffered a severe loss in the sudden death of R. W. Bro. A. Grace, who was D.D.G.M. during the term of 1930-31.

CLIVE LODGE No. 121

I was officially at the regular meeting of this lodge on April 11th, 1934, and was agreeably surprised to find the meeting so well attended, the lodge active and the members very enthusiastic, as I had been led to believe from their Statistical Report that the lodge was practically dormant. Their membership is very small, with but slight prospects of increasing it through initiations until such times as conditions improve, for like many of the smaller lodges Clive has been severely hit by the depression. In common with many of the lodges they have been handicapped by fairly large arrearages. However, they have no liabilities and have inaugurated a scheme to clear off all arrears, and with R. W. Bro. Sissons and Bro. Scott the Secretary, actively engaged, I hope to see them well on their feet. The officers are proficient in their work, the books well kept and in capable hands, but the Historical Register has been neglected for several years. This they have promised to remedy at once and I trust that the next report will show the work well under way. My reception was very cordial and my visit a decided pleasure to me.

RISING SUN LODGE No. 122

My official visit to Rising Sun Lodge No. 122, Gadsby, was made on August 2nd, 1933. I was accompanied by a number of the members Apollo Lodge and was cordially welcomed and received the Grand Honors. There was no degree work, but Rising Sun Lodge being my home lodge, I am sufficiently acquainted with the routine of the work to know that the officers are thoroughly proficient. The books are well kept

and in good order and progress is being made in the compiling of the Historical Register. They own their lodge building and while there is still considerable debt against it, the officers and members are active in many ways to raise funds to clear off the indebtedness and with the advent of more prosperous times this will become somewhat easier.

BIG VALLEY LODGE No. 140

I had the pleasure of visiting Big Valley Lodge No. 140, at Big Valley on October 3rd, 1933, and received a hearty welcome. Owing to a combination of economic conditions and changes in railroad policy, the membership of this lodge has dropped so that the non-resident membership now outnumbers that of the resident, of whom the larger number reside in the country. They meet regularly, have no liabilities and their finances are in sound condition. Their books are well kept and in good order and they carry sufficient insurance on their effects. While few in numbers, they exhibit a friendly spirit and a brotherly benevolence which indicates Masonry at its best.

DONALDA LODGE No. 150

I was able to visit this lodge officially on September 11th, 1933, and was cordially received by the brethren. The first degree was exemplified by the officers in a very capable manner. The books are in splendid shape and their finances are exceedingly good, with a very small amount of arrearages. The lodge is young and their numbers few, but they are very active and are on a sound basis. The programme of the Masonic Research and Education Committee is receiving splendid attention. I had intended visiting this lodge a second time, but owing to personal illness and the condition of the roads, this was impossible.

In concluding my report, I wish to say, that in spite of economic conditions, I consider the condition of Masonry in the Ninth Masonic District sound and healthy, and while the district shows a decrease in membership and but few initiations, still there is a spirit of optimism exhibited in all the lodges, which I consider augurs well for the future. Arrearages bulk largely in all but a few of the lodges and forms considerable of a problem, but it is noticeable that it is receiving serious and thoughtful, as well as sympathetic attention by all the lodges. The Historical Registers are receiving but little attention in a few of the lodges and in some none at all, but they have promised to give this their immediate attention and I trust that my successor will so report.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the lodges in this district, for the very friendly and cordial reception I invariably received on all my visits, and for the many courtesies extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

R. A. EVERETT,

D.D.G.M. District No. 9.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, April 30, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

As your deputy in the Tenth Masonic District, I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in the district during my term of office.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton, on September 23rd, 1933. All lodges in the district, with the exception of Victoria, No. 13, were represented by one or more members. W. Bro. W. W. Kennedy and officers of Dominion Lodge, No. 117, opened the lodge at 2:00 o'clock. As D.D.G.M. I was then introduced by W. Bro. Gallimore of Dominion Lodge, and after the usual honors assumed the gavel. The M. W. the Grand Master, John Martland, accompanied by M. W. Bro. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., and other Grand Lodge officers, were introduced by W. Bro. H. A. Thompson, accorded Grand Honors and invited to the East. Minutes of last District Meeting were read and approved. The Question Box disclosed many questions on the Work, which were explained satisfactorily by the Grand Master and Custodians of the Work, M. W. Bros. Kemmis and Connacher.

The M. W. the Grand Master, on behalf of the district, presented R. W. Bro. A. W. Fraser with P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia. V. W. Bro. W. N. Crooks of Hope Lodge No. 38, Mannville, was elected D.D.G.M. for 1934-35, by acclamation and Vermilion was chosen as the next place of meeting.

At 6:30 p.m. dinner was served in the Banquet Hall.

The evening session opened at 8:15, when the M. W. the Grand Master gave a very inspiring address on "Unity," which was much appreciated and will long be remembered by the large gathering who were privileged to hear him. M. W. Bros. Kemmis, Connacher, Snedden and R. W. Bro. Downey gave short addresses, which brought to a close a most successful District Meeting. The meeting was closed by W. Bro. F. F. Trudgeon and officers of Lamont Lodge No. 94.

VISITATIONS

Dominion, No. 117...	Sept. 27, 1933.
Waskatenau, No. 154...	Nov. 4, 1933
Norwood, No. 90...	Nov. 14, 1933
Acacia, No. 11...	Nov. 24, 1933
Empire, No. 63...	Dec. 4, 1933
Victoria, No. 13...	Jan. 30, 1934
Lamont, No. 94...	Feb. 5, 1934
St. John's, No. 25...	Mar. 5, 1934
Kilwinning, No. 110...	Mar. 19, 1934
Hope, No. 38...	Mar. 26, 1934
Vermilion, No. 24...	April 3, 1934
Kitscoty, No. 131...	April 4, 1934
St. Alban's, No. 145...	April 25, 1934

It was my privilege to officially visit every lodge in the district at least once, and I had the pleasure of giving short addresses on each occasion, along the lines of "The Brotherhood of Man," "Benevolence," "Faith", etc.

Conditions in the district are improving, nearly every lodge having candidates in hand or in sight, and, while arrears in dues continued to be high, the lodges are in every case financially sound. I would like here to pay a tribute of praise to the outstanding abilities of each and every Secretary. Historical Registers are, with the exception of three, up to date, and Benevolent fund ample. I feel that my visit to Lamont Lodge No. 94, is particularly outstanding, due to the fact that I had

accompanying me the M. W. the Grand Master and his Grand Officers: The Grand Master gave a splendid address and the brethren of Lamont Lodge thanked him as being the first Grand Master to honor that lodge with his presence. I was happy to be able to accompany the Grand Master on several of his visits, both in and out of the city, as well as assisting him at installation ceremonies and conferring degrees in other lodges.

In conclusion, my year of office has been a most happy one, made so by the hearty co-operation of the officers and members of each lodge in the District, by the support of R. W. Bro. A. West D.D.G.M. District No. 3, R. W. Bro. Jos. Madill, D.D.G.M. District No. 12, the other Grand Lodge officers and last, but not least, the officers and members of my own lodge, Dominion, No. 117, including V. W. Bro. W. W. Ward, who so ably acted as District Secretary. I wish to again express my thanks to the brethren of District No. 10, for the great honor they did me in electing me to this high office, and trust that they will feel that their confidence in me has not been misplaced.

Fraternally submitted,

A. B. McCURDY,

D.D.G.M. District No. 10.

ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Barons, May 14, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 11 for the year 1933-34.

It has been both a pleasure and privilege to serve as Deputy for you in District No. 11. I wish to thank the officers and brethren for the honor bestowed on me and you for your approval of my election.

I have visited all the lodges in the district. I express my thanks and appreciation to the officers and brethren for the cordial receptions, loyal support and assistance given me throughout the year.

I visited Robert Burns Lodge No. 49, on June 23rd for the purpose of installing the officers of that lodge and those of Cresset Lodge No. 136. The officers of both lodges are selected on their merits. Robert Burns Lodge entertained the visitors in a splendid manner and I believe they can make it very interesting to the brethren who attend the District Meeting there this year. I again visited this lodge on April 12th, accompanied by W. Bro. Martin, and listened to two interesting addresses by Bro. Lawrence and W. Bro. Davies.

The District Meeting was held in Barons on October 12th. There was a good representation of all the lodges, also a number of visitors present. The meeting was opened by the officers of Cresset Lodge No. 136, and the Grand Lodge officers were received with the usual honors. The afternoon session was taken up with explanation of the Work by the Custodians. Some very lively discussions took place

during recess, after which the Question Box was opened and a general discussion followed. At the close of this session a delicious dinner was served by the Ladies' Aid, to whom we express our thanks. A toast to the Grand Lodge Officers was proposed by W. Bro. McMillan to which M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master, responded in an able manner.

The evening session opened with reports on the condition of Masonry in the various lodges, by the Masters. The Grand Master gave an interesting description of his travel in the old land and what he saw in Ancient Masonry, and a very interesting and instructive address dealing with the beauty and unity of Masonry. W. Bro. Whitmarsh was elected D.D.G.M. for year ending June, 1935. I wish him an enjoyable year and trust that Masonry will profit by his election to this office. The meeting was closed by the officers of Nobleford Lodge No. 111, and the brethren retired to the dining hall for refreshment.

I visited Champion Lodge No. 84, on December 27th, accompanied by W. Bro. Gow, and installed their officers and also those of Nobleford Lodge No. 111. The meeting was well attended by members and visitors. The ceremony was performed without the use of ceremonials, which was enjoyed by all. At the close of the meeting, a social hour was spent in the dining room. I again visited Champion Lodge on March 8th, and enjoyed a social evening after lodge. This lodge is to be congratulated on their work.

On December 28th, I visited Vulcan Lodge No. 74, for the purpose of installing their officers, by special dispensation. There was a large attendance and the ceremony was performed without ceremonials. I appreciated the able assistance of the brethren of this lodge and also the company of W. Bro. John Collins of Champion Lodge.

I again visited Vulcan Lodge on March 6th, when the lodge was opened in regular form by W. Bro. J. Scobbie and I was saluted with Grand Honors. A feature of special interest at this meeting was a Masonic lecture by Bro. Irvine, "Candidates of the Truth." Addresses of this nature are very important in Masonic work. Vulcan Lodge has put on a number of these interesting addresses this year, is a very active lodge and maintains the interest of the brethren.

On February 6th, accompanied by V. W. Bro. W. C. L. Cooper. I visited Nobleford Lodge No. 111, and was received by the officers and brethren in a very cordial manner. The attendance at this meeting was the largest of any visited this year. There were a number of P.D.D.G.M.'s from Lethbridge and Diamond City, and other visiting brethren. The Master, W. Bro. Sherwood and his officers put on the first degree in a very proficient manner and were complimented by the visitors.

I visited Nobleford Lodge again on April 3rd, when they conferred the third degree in a very creditable manner. This lodge has had several social evenings and their register shows good attendance of members and visitors.

On April 25th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Messenger, I motored to Pyramid Lodge, No. 107. The lodge was opened by the Master, W. Bro. Frost, when we were received and given Grand Honors. As there was no degree work, I addressed the brethren on Masonry in the Lodge and Community. R. W. Bro. Hanna presented R. W. Bro. Messenger with the regalia of a P.D.D.G.M., on behalf of District No.

11, to which he responded very appropriately. This lodge purchased a suitable building, which makes a very neat and up to date home and lodge room. I granted them permission to move their charter to the new location. They are exercising every effort to maintain a high standard of Masonry in their lodge and the influence is felt throughout that community. The time and effort spent in making this lodge a Masonic home is looked upon with pride by the members and the district.

W. Bro. Kennedy accompanied me on my official visit to Granite Lodge No. 127 on May 2nd, and I was supported by a number of brethren from Pyramid Lodge No. 108. This lodge is in very good hands and has improved its condition since the report given at the District Meeting in October. After the business was finished, a Strawberry Social was planned to follow the next meeting of the lodge, to which all visitors were invited.

My official visit with Cresset Lodge No. 136, on February 5th was one of interest. There has been no degree work this year, but some very interesting lectures and addresses given. The W. M., Bro. McMillan, gave a well prepared and instructive address on this occasion. The lodge is in very good condition and able to carry on. They have quite a large amount of arrears of dues, but the lodge is carrying the delinquent members, hoping that better times will enable the brethren to pay up. As this is my home lodge, I can say they are facing the future, full of hope for better prospects, and with a firm determination to carry on.

I am pleased to be able to report that the condition of Masonry in District No. 11 is good and the books of the lodges are in excellent shape, with the exception of some Historical Registers. However, I have the promise that these will be attended to.

Interchange of visits between lodges is frequent and creates new interest in the meetings.

In conclusion, allow me to express my thanks to the brethren for their support. To those who have so freely given their time and services on my visits my most profound gratitude is due, and especially to our District Secretary, W. Bro. G. A. Gow, for his assistance and untiring efforts in the work.

Fraternally submitted,

L. E. ATKINSON,

D.D.G.M. District No. 11.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, May 15, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor of submitting, for your consideration, my report as District Deputy Grand Master, on the condition of Masonry in District No. 12, for the year 1933-34.

During my whole term of office, I have been impressed with the wonderful enthusiasm for Masonry which has been aroused in every

lodge throughout the District, by the numerous visits made by the M. W. the Grand Master, and the very many inspiring and instructive addresses delivered by him. In addition to this, in my District alone, he installed the officers of West Edmonton Lodge No. 101, Patricia Lodge No. 91, Mayerthorpe Lodge No. 148, Pembina Lodge No. 126, Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142, and Saskatchewan Lodge No. 92. The dignity and impressiveness of these ceremonies of installation, as exemplified by the M. W. the Grand Master, made a lasting impression upon, and presented a new ideal of Masonry to the officers and members of these lodges.

My visits to the various lodges have been a source of much pleasure and benefit to me and I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to the brethren and Grand Lodge officers who so kindly accompanied me.

TAWATINAW LODGE No. 71

The 21st Anniversary of this lodge was celebrated on August 2nd and was made the occasion of the visit of the M. W. the Grand Master and the District Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Secretary, Grand Registrar, Grand Organist, and R. W. Bro. Lyttle accompanied the Grand Master. V. W. Bro. Crawford, making a trip from Sangudo, was also present to be invested as Grand Steward by the Grand Master. The addresses of the evening were given by the M. W. the Grand Master and R. W. Bro. Robert Lyttle. I wish to extend congratulations to officers and members of Tawatinaw Lodge upon the splendid spirit of Masonry evinced by them and for their wonderful hospitality. With this spirit prevailing, Tawatinaw Lodge is bound to continue to succeed.

IVANHOE LODGE No. 142

My first official visit was made to Ivanhoe, my mother lodge, on September 1st. On this occasion the first degree was conferred by Grand Lodge officers, who so kindly accompanied me and was one of the finest degrees it has been my privilege to witness. The officers of the lodge maintain the high standard of work set by their predecessors and I am pleased to report that this lodge is in a healthy and prosperous condition.

WESTLOCK LODGE No. 114

I officially visited this lodge on October 5th, and am pleased to report that there is maintained a very fine spirit of enthusiasm. The pleasure of my visit was added to by a reception given by the lodge to some thirty or forty teen-age boys of the district, after the regular meeting. Rev. Bro. Philip Duncan accompanied me, and gave a most instructive address to these young guests, who were mostly sons of brother members. The lodge is to be congratulated on this phase of Masonic interest in the younger generation. On February 1st, I again visited Westlock Lodge, accompanied by R. W. Bro. R. J. Gaunt, R. W. Bro. K. C. McLeod and Bro. Wm. Anderson of Ivanhoe Lodge, and had the privilege, assisted by R. W. Bro. Gaunt, of installing the officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

EARL HAIG LODGE No. 155

This lodge was officially visited on October 11th and constitutes one of the frontier lodges of the district. While necessarily a small lodge numerically and not having had any initiations this year, they display a wonderful Masonic spirit and are unexcelled as hosts to

visiting brethren. A second visit was made by me on January 10th, for the purpose of installing the officers. I was assisted on this occasion by R. W. Bro. Gaunt and also accompanied by R. W. Bro. K. C. McLeod and Bro. Wm. Anderson. The officers installed and invested impressed me most favorably and I feel sure that the future of Earl Haig Lodge is in splendid hands.

WEST EDMONTON LODGE No. 101

West Edmonton Lodge was officially visited on November 1st, when the third degree was conferred by the officers. The work was particularly well done. The Master and his officers are to be complimented on the excellence of their work. Several other visits were made to West Edmonton Lodge during the year, being accompanied on each occasion by Brother Grand Lodge officers and other Edmonton brethren. This lodge has enjoyed a prosperous year and gives every promise of continuing to be an influence for good in their community.

PATRICIA LODGE No. 91

The friendly relations that have always existed between Patricia and Ivanhoe Lodges made my official visit on November 17th one of particular interest and pleasure. On this visit I was accompanied by a splendid delegation of members of my own lodge "Ivanhoe", to all of whom was extended a most cordial welcome by Patricia's officers and members. Patricia Lodge is among the larger lodges in the district. It is splendidly officered, has always taken a keen interest in every Masonic activity and is one of the foremost lodges, in every way, in this district. During the year it was my privilege and pleasure to attend a number of other meetings of this lodge, one occasion being the installation of officers by the M. W. the Grand Master.

SASKATCHEWAN LODGE No. 92

I visited this lodge officially on November 23rd, on which occasion the third degree was conferred by Past Masters. The work was a good illustration of the high standard maintained by Saskatchewan Lodge and the Past Masters are to be congratulated on their very fine effort. This lodge has shown a most aggressive and enterprising Masonic spirit through the year and are fortunate in having leaders such as W. Bro. Hilton and W. Bro. McIntyre. These two Masters have set a splendid example to all lodges in the district in obtaining a wonderful attendance of members and visitors at their meetings. On the occasion of the installation of officers, some seventy-five Past Masters constituted the Board of Installed Masters. I have the greatest pleasure in reporting that Saskatchewan Lodge is one of the brightest Masonic memories of my year in office.

PEMBINA LODGE No. 126

My official visit was made on February 5th. The first degree was conferred by the M. W. and his officers in a most efficient manner and reflected the utmost credit on these young officers. It is always a pleasure when so well done under handicaps with which the outlying lodges have to contend, some of these members coming long distances, over the worst roads, during the most severe winter weather to attend lodge meetings. Pembina Lodge is fortunate in having V. W. Bro. Crawford, Principal of the Public and High School, Sangudo, as a regular visitor and wise counsellor.

STRATHCONA LODGE, LODGE, No. 77

I was pleased to make my official visit to Strathcona Lodge on

February 23rd, the first degree being conferred by the W. M. and officers in their usual impressive manner. This was one of a number of visits made to Strathcona Lodge during the year, and on this, as well as on each and every visit, I could not help but be impressed with the fine Masonic spirit prevailing amongst officers and members of the lodge and the extreme courtesy and spirit of hospitality shown to every visiting brother. During the year Strathcona Lodge had meetings of special interest, such as their Burns' Night and celebration of their 21st Anniversary. At the latter meeting the M. W. the Grand Master presented the Worshipful Master with a beautiful illuminated address, congratulating Strathcona Lodge on reaching their twenty-first birthday. I understand this is to be framed and placed in the Robert Wynn Library. My year of office as D.D.G.M., will carry with it pleasant recollections of the kindness of the brethren of Strathcona Lodge.

JASPER LODGE, No. 14

This lodge was officially visited on February 26th, when their Past Masters very impressively conferred the second degree. It has been the good fortune of this lodge to have the guidance and instruction of R. W. Bro. Sandilands, who takes a deep interest in Masonic work. I had the very great pleasure, on a previous visit, of seeing R. W. Bro. Sandilands install his son as Worshipful Master of this lodge. It is a very unique and delightful experience to witness a Masonic ceremony of this nature. A very fine educational effort has been displayed during the year and there is every indication that Jasper Lodge will continue to be, in the future, the outstanding lodge that it has shown itself to be in the past.

WHITECOURT LODGE, No. 153

I visited this lodge, officially, on March 8th, being accompanied by V. W. Bro. Crawford and W. Bro. Kerr of Sangudo Lodge. The first degree was conferred by the W. M. and his officers in a most impressive manner. This is a young frontier lodge and is subject to the many handicaps of such a district, but I found the members imbued with a splendid spirit of Masonry that cannot fail to impress every visitor. The members travel long distances, under very adverse conditions, to attend and set a wonderful example to Masons who are able to attend lodge with every comfort and convenience. Notwithstanding handicaps they held thirteen meetings during the year and give every promise of becoming a well established lodge.

MAYERTHORPE LODGE, No. 148

My official visit to this lodge was made on April 26th. As there was no degree work I requested to be received immediately after the opening of the first degree so that I might observe the work of the officers in opening and closing in the three degrees. The officers, who had been recently installed, acquitted themselves in a splendid manner, showing keen interest in their work. I also accompanied the M. W. the Grand Master on the occasion of his visit on December 19th, when he installed and invested the officers of this lodge, together with the officers of Sangudo Lodge, who made the trip to Mayerthorpe for the purpose of a joint installation. The Grand Master gave a lecture on the Peace Memorial Temple, London, England. This lecture was illustrated by lantern slides and was much enjoyed. We were accompanied by R. W. Bro. Gaunt, and W. Bro. G. B. McLeod of Ivanhoe Lodge.

ONOWAY LODGE No. 138

I regret that thus far I have been unable to visit this lodge. Arrangements were completed and announced for a visit of the M. W. the Grand Master and myself on May 2nd, but unfortunately weather conditions prevented our visit. Again on the 9th, our visit had to be postponed. We now plan to visit this lodge on June 6th, if roads are passable. We had the pleasure of meeting most of the officers and some of the brethren of Onoway at Meridian Lodge, Stony Plain, a few weeks ago, when the M. W. the Grand Master visited there and we look forward to our official visit on the 6th of June.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held in Edmonton Masonic Temple on Saturday, October 21st, being a joint meeting with District No. 3. Afternoon and evening sessions were held and were well attended by a large and representative gathering of these two districts. The meeting was opened by the officers of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142, and closed by those of Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71, in due and ancient form. D.D.G. M.'s of No. 3 and No. 12 were received, immediately followed by the reception of the M. W. the Grand Master, John Martland; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., and other Grand Lodge officers. Many topics of Masonic interest came before the meeting for discussion, and a most pleasant and profitable afternoon was spent in this way. Many valuable contributions to the discussion were made by the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. Connacher, Custodian of the Work. I wish to express my deep appreciation of the presence of these distinguished brethren and to acknowledge our indebtedness to their knowledge of Masonic traditions, which helped so greatly to make the District Meeting a success. W. Bro. F. W. Burton of Saskatchewan Lodge, No. 92, was elected D.D.G.M. of District No. 12. The Grand Master, on behalf of the respective districts, presented R. W. Bro. A. E. Wynne and R. W. Bro. H. B. Fowler, with P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia and spoke kindly and graciously of their work during their term of office. The evening took the form of a banquet, at which R. W. Bro. A. West presided. The address of the evening was given by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland, and brought to a fitting close a most profitable and delightful District Meeting.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing to R. W. Bro. Sandilands my sincere thanks for his untiring efforts in making the District Meeting such a splendid success.

It is a pleasure to report that Masonry in the district has experienced a good year, in spite of the general uncertain and unsettled conditions prevalent for the past few years. These uncertain times should be the true measure of Masonic usefulness, and it has been my earnest endeavor to impress upon every lodge the importance of brotherly love, relief and truth. Another point which has been forcibly impressed upon me during the course of my visits is the Masonic interest aroused and encouraged by the visits of brethren from City lodges to the lodges in the rural districts. The fraternal feeling and friendship created between the lodges by these visits will more than repay any sacrifice on the part of city lodges. I therefore strongly urge that each city lodge make a special effort to visit one or two rural lodges throughout the year, independent of any visit made by the D.D.G.M., and, if possible, to confer a degree on one of their own candidates on the occasion of their visit. This will do much to advance the friendly relationships that should exist amongst all lodges.

All lodges are giving considerable attention to their Historical Register. I have made it a point to strongly impress upon the Master of each lodge the importance of their historical records. This volume will in later years become one of the greatest treasures in the possession of the lodge.

Masonic Education and Research might be greatly advanced by added assistance from Grand Lodge. Subjects for discussion are sent out, but it is extremely difficult for rural lodges, particularly, to secure necessary material for the proper discussion of these subjects. Possibly Grand Lodge could send out interesting addresses, prepared by distinguished brethren that appear from time to time in Masonic periodicals.

May I here express my thanks to the brethren of this district for the honor of being their elected representative for the past year, and my sincere appreciation of the courtesy of the Grand Lodge officers and brethren who so kindly accompanied me on my visits. This has shown itself particularly in the fraternal support rendered by the D.D.G.M.'s of District No. 3, and 10, I shall forever cherish the memory of many pleasant evenings spent with my brother District Deputies, R. W. Bro. West and R. W. Bro. McCurdy.

I sincerely trust this report meets with your approval.

Fraternally submitted,

J. MADILL,

D.D.G.M. District No. 12.

THIRTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Peace River, May 1, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I present to you my official report of Masonic District No. 13 for the year ending 1933.

I think that you will be very pleased with the showing of these lodges in this report, taking into consideration conditions in this district. I feel that they have had a very good attendance and are all in a solvent and active state, with the exception of one lodge, Hythe, No. 156. Owing to the deep snow and inclement weather for the past six months, I have not been able to visit many of the lodges, but will do my best to visit them all during the month of May.

Fraternally submitted,

J. LLOYD PAUL,

D.D.G.M. District No. 13.

FOURTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Oyen, May 29, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry, as I have found it, in District No. 14, during the past Masonic year.

The district has passed through the most trying time in its history, but in spite of this fact, I am impressed with the wonderful spirit exhibited by the brethren. Some lodges are finding financing difficult, arrears are increasing and the problem is acute. Attendance is affected by this situation, but I believe an earnest effort is being made by the lodges to deal with their respective problems wisely. A wholesome good will exists between the lodges in the district and fraternal inter-visits are frequent. Joint installations are the common practice of those lodges which are close together. I have visited officially each lodge in the district once and I cannot speak too highly of the cordial receptions I received on these occasions.

DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual District Meeting was held in the town of Hanna on Monday, October 30th, 1933, officers from Craigmyle Lodge being in the chairs for the afternoon session. M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., and other distinguished Grand Lodge officers were present. It had been arranged for a degree team from Oyen Lodge No. 104 to exemplify the third degree, but unfortunately they were unable to get through to Hanna on account of snow-bound roads. The question period was extended to fill the gap thus caused in the programme and much information was gleaned. Following the afternoon session, a fine banquet was served in the Memorial Hall at 6:00 o'clock.

Labor was resumed at 7:45 p.m., the officers of Hanna Lodge occupying the chairs. Reports from the Masters of lodges were heard. W. Bro. E. A. Cavanaugh of Craigmyle Lodge No. 132, was elected D.D.G.M. and Craigmyle was chosen as the place for the 1934 District Meeting. The M. W. the Grand Master then gave an address, which was well received and provided much to think about. A few remarks by the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. Connacher were also appreciated.

I left the arrangements for the District Meeting largely in the hands of W. Bro. S. E. C. Argue and R. W. Bro. J. G. Odell of Hanna Lodge, the latter kindly acting as District Secretary and to these brethren I wish to express my deep appreciation of the fine work they performed.

My visit to the lodges in this district, were as follows:

BERRY CREEK LODGE No. 158

I visited Berry Creek Lodge on Wednesday, September 27th, 1933. This is our baby lodge. Perhaps the term "baby" is erroneous, for while it is our youngest lodge, it is growing fast and thriving. My reception left nothing to be desired. W. Bro. Helmer, the Master, and all brethren present radiated fraternal good will. The third degree was conferred in a most creditable manner. I found the records of the lodge well kept by their efficient Secretary, Bro. H. P. Herd. The lodge is financially sound and their attendance is a matter of just pride, 76 per cent of their resident members being their average attendance, which stands as a record for District No. 14.

HANNA LODGE No. 78

My official visit to Hanna Lodge was made on Wednesday, October 4th, 1933. I witnessed the conferring of the first degree by W. Bro. S. E. C. Argue and his officers. The work was done most effectively.

Hanna Lodge was unfortunate to lose the service of W. Bro. Adams as Secretary, but his position after he left to reside in Calgary was capably filled by R. W. Bro. J. G. Odell. The records of the lodge are well kept and the lodge is financially sound. The lodge is active, but the average attendance could be improved. I was most cordially received and it was evident that the brethren present took a keen interest in matters pertaining to the work of the Craft.

HAND HILL LODGE No. 98

I paid an official visit to Hand Hill Lodge on Wednesday, April 25th, 1934, when I was most kindly received. The records are neatly kept and a good spirit is in evidence. I witnessed the conferring of the second degree. A very pleasant feature of the evening was an address delivered by W. Bro. A. G. Bonds, P.M. of Bassano Lodge, No. 55, on "The Fundamentals of Masonry and their Modern Application." Bro. Bond, who resides at Hanna, was good enough to make a trip to Oyen and deliver this address to the brethren there. Masonry appears to be progressing in Delia.

CROCUS LODGE No. 115

I officially visited this lodge on Wednesday, May 2nd. The lodge is financially sound and the officers well acquainted with their work. Crocus Lodge was unfortunate to lose the companionship and counsel of R. W. Bro. J. W. Lawrence, who recently left the district. His presence will be missed. The records of the lodge are well kept by R. W. Bro. Chapman and a fine spirit exists amongst the members. Keen interest in the affairs of the lodge is shown by Past Masters.

CRAIGMYLE LODGE No. 132

My official visit to Craigmyle Lodge was made on Tuesday, May 22nd, 1934, when I was very cordially received. Craigmyle has the smallest membership in District No. 14, but it is sound financially and a splendid spirit is exhibited by the members. The books and records are well looked after by their capable Secretary. A paper on "The Pyramids" by W. Bro. E. A. Cavanaugh, proved most entertaining and was listened to with keen appreciation by the brethren.

ACADIA LODGE No. 82

I officially visited Acadia Lodge at Youngstown on Tuesday, May 29th and was very kindly received by the brethren. This part of Masonic District No. 14 has possibly been hit hardest of any by adverse conditions. Many old and faithful members have left the district and the number of resident members who remain to carry on the work is few. W. Bro. T. R. Menzies is a capable Master and the lodge is well served by its Past Masters, but the Youngstown brethren are having a hard financial struggle and prospects at present are not encouraging.

OYEN LODGE No. 104

This is my home lodge, and while I am a regular attendant, I paid an official visit on Friday, December 1st, 1933. Conditions in the district are such that the lodge is laboring under very trying financial circumstances and arrears are increasing formidably. The lodge owns its lodge hall and so far has been able to meet all its obligations, but the immediate outlook is not very promising. The lodge is very well served by its Past Masters and a lively interest is taken in Masonic Research

work. Officers are well versed in their work and in the absence of candidates (there has been no degree work) frequently exemplify the different degrees. It is my intention to pay a final official visit to this lodge on Friday, June 1st.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, M. W. Sir, may I say that I have been happy to serve you. The existing general conditions have failed to mar the pleasure I have derived from meeting the brethren on my visits, nor the spirit of kindly welcome I have received. The fraternal good fellowship extended has been a great joy to me and a real inspiration.

To the brethren who accompanied me on my trips and in many other ways helped to make my term of office a truly happy one, I extend my sincere thanks, and as I am about to retire from office, I trust that I have contributed something to the good of the Order. I have tried to serve you well.

To all brethren in District No. 14 I extend my heartfelt thanks for their kindness and the cordial welcomes given and I bespeak for my successor, W. Bro. E. A. Cavanaugh, the same fine treatment.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

CHARLES L. DUNFORD,

D.D.G.M. District No. 14.

FIFTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Bashaw, May 8, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on Masonic District No. 15 for 1933-34.

During my term of office I have visited every lodge in the district and have met with a very cordial reception in all lodges. I take this opportunity of thanking the brethren of District No 15 for the many kindnesses shown me and for the honor conferred on me by electing me to this very important position.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held in the new Masonic Temple at Bashaw on September 26, 1933. The district was well represented by a large number of brethren from the various lodges and also visitors from Stettler, Lacombe and Donalda. We were honored by the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, Custodian of the Work. The meeting was opened by the officers of Fidelity Lodge No. 76. The D.D.G.M. was received in due form and assumed the gavel, after which the other Grand Lodge officers were received with Grand Honors by the brethren present, and R. W. Bro. Lynn Wilson gave an address of welcome to visiting brethren. The minutes of the last District Meeting were read

and confirmed and reports were received from the Masters of the various lodges. Quite a number of questions were asked and explained by the Grand Master and Custodians of the Work.

At 6:30 the meeting was called from labor to refreshment and the brethren assembled in the spacious dining hall in the basement of the new building where a sumptuous banquet was provided, of which about 110 brethren partook.

After returning to the lodge room, we listened to an inspiring address by the M. W. the Grand Master. The election of the D.D.G.M. was then proceeded with and W. Bro. Snyder of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 66, was elected for 1934-35, Trochu being chosen for the next District Meeting. The meeting was closed in a very efficient manner by the officers of Ancient Landmark No. 109, Mirror.

ACME LODGE No. 60

I visited this lodge on March 29th, 1934, accompanied by W. Bros. Hosegood, Mundy, and Puffer and Bro. Ludwig of Fidelity Lodge, No. 76. There was a good attendance of the members and the first degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Brown and his officers. This lodge has had no increase during the past year, but the brethren are looking forward to better times in the near future. The books are in good shape, excepting the Historical Register, which W. Bro. Carlyle has promised to bring up to date.

ST. ANDREW'S LODGE No. 66

Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Cairns and W. Bro. Smathers of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 109, I visited this lodge on November 9th, 1933. The roads being in poor condition, there was not a very large attendance. Two brethren were passed to the second degree in a very efficient manner by W. Bro. Anderson and his officers. The books and Historical Register are kept in good order by W. Bro. Evans, a splendid Secretary.

FIDELITY LODGE No. 76

This is the lodge to which I have the honor to belong. I have attended nearly all the meetings. The brethren of Fidelity have a very fine hall, which was constructed last year and is practically clear of incumbrance. The books and Historical Register are in very good order, under the Secretaryship of R. W. Bro. J. A. Marshall. I made my official visit on April 24th, 1934, when there was a good attendance of the members, as well as a number of visitors from Camrose, Donalda and Mirror. The first and third degrees were conferred in a very capable manner.

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE No. 109

Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Murdoch and Bro. Ludwig, I visited this lodge on December 6th, 1933. There was no degree work, but an excellent address was delivered by Bro. G. Hauff. A number of visitors were present from Cavell Lodge No. 125. The books and Historical Register were in good shape and the lodge has a splendid Secretary in the person of W. Bro. J. Webster.

CYPRUS LODGE No. 113

Accompanied by W. Bro. Hosegood and Bros. Parry and Sills, I visited Cyprus Lodge on March 20th, 1934. I think this was one of

the most enjoyable evenings in my experience. The lodge had their annual roll call and a large number of members were present, also visitors from St. Andrew's Lodge. Those who were unable to be present, sent letters, which were read in open lodge as their names were called. The books and Historical Register were in good shape in the capable hands of R. W. Bro. Hart.

CAVELL LODGE No. 125

On November 20th, 1933, accompanied by V. W. Bro. Raper, W. Bros. Robertson and Puffer and Bro. Marks, I visited this lodge. W. Bro. Manning conferred the third degree on his son in a very efficient manner. A Life Membership was presented to W. Bro. Hardy, an aged member of the lodge. The books and Historical Register are in good order under the secretaryship of R. W. Bro. Spires.

IRRICANA LODGE No. 137

I visited this lodge on February 20th, 1934, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Wilson of Fidelity Lodge No. 76. A good number of brethren were present, including a large number of visitors, notably R. W. Bro. Grainger of Acme Lodge No. 60, and a large delegation from Strathmore Lodge No. 53. W. Bro. Glendenning of Strathmore conferred the first degree on his son, and two other candidates were initiated. R. W. Bro. Nicholson is the lodge's main stand-by. The books and Historical Register are in good shape, in the capable hands of Bro. Coldwell.

In conclusion, I again thank the brethren of District No. 15 for their many kindnesses to me, and especially R. W. Bro. Marshall of Fidelity Lodge No. 76, for his splendid aid as District Secretary during my term of office.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY FORD,

D.D.G.M. District No. 15.

SIXTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Standard, May 14, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

With much pleasure I submit for your consideration my report on the condition of the several lodges in Masonic District No. 16.

In all of my official visits to the lodges, as per schedule following, I found excellent Masonic feeling, good fellowship, enthusiastic interest and a spirit of brotherhood which made it evident to me that the lodges of this district were active and on a sure foundation.

In every case, the Masters conducted the opening and closing and degree work in a very able and efficient manner.

Congratulations are due the Secretaries for the correctness and neatness of the minutes and the Historical Registers are all up to date and well written up.

OFFICIAL VISITS

June 19, 1933.....	Standard Lodge No. 152
Aug. 14, 1933.....	Rockyford Lodge No. 123
Oct. 3, 1933.....	Carbon Lodge No. 107
Oct. 11, 1933	Rosebud Lodge No. 149
Oct. 17, 1933	Drumheller Lodge No. 146
April 9, 1934.....	Hussar Lodge No. 130
April 16, 1934.....	Standard Lodge No. 152
April 26, 1934	Symbol Lodge No. 93

FINANCES

The financial condition of the several lodges is very good, considering the stress of the times.

Total Cash Assets of the seven lodges amounts to \$1,419.81.

Total Liabilities—\$3506.76, and Assets over Liabilities—\$15,161.53.

Four lodges own their hall and three rent.

There were at Dec. 31st, 1933, a total of 412 members, there being an increase during the year of 26 and decrease of 28, while death removed four.

EDUCATION

All lodges have attempted in their own way to follow the outline of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, lectures, papers and questions for discussion being used to stimulate further study in the work and symbolic meaning of our Order. Several of the lodges have a good start on a Masonic Library and in general I find a considerable interest in the more serious side of our ancient Fraternity.

SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

I had the pleasure of visiting three lodges on the occasions of their Past Masters' Night. Several of the lodges pride themselves on the regular attendance of their Past Masters and their continued active participation in the degree work. Standard Lodge celebrated its Fifth Anniversary on June 19th last, at which time R. W. Bro. S. L. McCracken, P.D.D.G.M., was present and delivered a very fine address, which was interesting and instructive. Hussar Lodge gave a delightful social evening on the occasion of the opening of their new hall early in the year. Rosebud Lodge put on a festival and several lodges gave social evenings, at which the ladies were present. Generally speaking, the social functions tend to help cement a closer bond of friendship between the families of Masons. Throughout the year there were many visits between lodges, which tended to further strengthen the Masonic feeling and true brotherhood which is prevalent in our district.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held at Drumheller Masonic Hall on October 31st, 1933. The M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. Connacher, P.G.M., were present. After the general business and Question Box discussions, Bro. F. R. Ross gave a very instructive and interesting address, which closed the afternoon session.

At 6:30 p.m. supper was served in the Banquet Hall, followed by a short musical programme and toasts, the brethren being called to the lodge room at 7:30 o'clock.

The Masters of the several lodges then gave their reports on Masonic conditions, with the exception of Hussar Lodge, as on account of the bad conditions of the roads that lodge was not represented. A ballot for District Deputy resulted in the election of W. Bro. S. F. Torrance of Carbon Lodge No. 107, and it was decided to hold the next District Meeting at Drumheller.

The M. W. the Grand Master, then gave an able, instructive and inspiring address, to which all listened with close attention. The Custodians of the Work answered several question on the Work, after which the meeting was closed.

APPRECIATION

M. W. Sir, I thank you for the high honor conferred on me and I hereby wish to record my sincere appreciation to the membership in this district for the confidence reposed in me, the honor bestowed on me and the cordial welcome extended to me on the occasion of my visits. I also wish to thank W. Bro. E. A. Wagler, P.M. of Standard Lodge No. 152, for his untiring support and able assistance in accompanying me on all my official visits.

I congratulate W. Bro. Torrance on being elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year and trust that he will find as much pleasure and profit in pursuing the duties of this high office as I have.

May Masonry in our District continue to prosper in brotherly love and friendship.

Faternally submitted,

H. B. GRANT,

D.D.G.M. District No. 16.

SEVENTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Chauvin, May 3, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

It is with great pleasure that I submit herewith, for your approval, my report on Masonry in the junior district of your Grand Jurisdiction, District No. 17.

DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall at Chauvin on Monday, October 23rd, and had not a snowstorm, which commenced the previous evening hampered car movements, especially from a distance, the facilities of Albion Lodge would have been taxed to the utmost. As it was, there were about seventy present.

The afternoon session was opened in due form at 3:00 o'clock, by the officers of Albion Lodge No. 97, with W. Bro. C. Sigurdson in the East, and the D.D.G.M. was received with Grand Honors and assumed the gavel. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis,

R. W. Bro. Jos. Madill, D.D.G.M. District No. 12, R. W. Bro. Albert Fiske, P.D.D.G.M., and V. W. Bro. Harry Watts, were then received in due form and escorted to the East. After the minutes and correspondence, a brief silence was observed in honor of five members of the District who had been called by the Great Architect during 1933.

There were three resolutions: No 1 by Dynamic Lodge, No. 76—"That in the opinion of the District Meeting the interests of Masonry would be the better served by joining the westerly section of District No. 17 to the westerly section of District No. 5." No. 2 by W. Bro. Robertson and R. W. Bro. Waite—"That we hold future District Meetings not further east than Wainwright and not further west than Viking, the first District Meeting to be held at the point nearest the D.D.G.M. elect." No. 3 by W. Bro. Lally and W. Bro. Robertson—"That the district fees be reduced to an amount just sufficient to cover the expenses of the District, the assessment for presentation to retiring D.D.G.M. be set at 10c per capita." After much discussion, all three resolutions were referred to each individual lodge for their separate action, with a result that all were rejected by a very large majority.

There were some twenty question in the Question Box, all of which were fully explained by the Grand Master and Custodian of the Work, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, clearing up several points of difficulty. It was necessary to interrupt this item of business at 5:30 p.m. and call from labor to refreshment. Dinner was served in the Veteran's Hall at 6:00 p.m., followed by the customary toasts and musical numbers.

Labor was resumed at 8:00 p.m. and after the Question Box had been completely dealt with the reports of the Masters of each lodge were received. These were all very bright, and showed that Masonry occupied a very definite place in the towns from Tofield to Chauvin. Some difficulty was being experienced with growing arrears, but every effort was being made to handle all cases in true Masonic spirit. W. Bro. T. J. Chavasse of Edgerton Lodge No. 102 was the unanimous choice of the District for D.D.G.M. 1934-35, subject to the approval of the Grand Master, and Wainwright was selected as the place of the District Meeting in 1934.

The M. W. the Grand Master very impressively presented to our P.D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Waite, a gold watch and chain, suitably engraved, as a token from the District. The Grand Master's address occupied our time from 10 o'clock onwards and was very thoughtfully received by all present. He took us for an imaginary trip through Continental Europe and the British Isles, pointing out the traces of Masonry he had seen on his tour, and finally arrived at this address proper "Oneness or Unity." His address was concluded at 11:30 p.m. amid much applause and I am sure that many of the thoughts he wished to convey are still retained by those who were privileged to hear him.

The meeting was closed by the officers of Buffalo Park Lodge No. 44, with W. Bro. R. G. Robertson in the East, at 11:45 p.m., after which those going west by train at 2:00 a.m., and also any going by car who wished to delay, again repaired to the Veterans' Hall, where refreshments and music were enjoyed.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I have visited each lodge in the district, and hope if conditions allow to complete a second visit to each one before the second Wednes-

day in June. In all, to date, I have made fifteen visits, including one Divine Service and one Funeral service, which has necessitated 1,635 miles of travel, exclusive of 708 to Grand Lodge at Calgary. On all my visits I have received a sincere welcome, the meetings have been most interesting and at no point was the interest in Masonry lagging. The dates of my visits are as follows:

Buffalo Park Lodge No. 44.....	Aug. 2, 1933
Palestine Lodge No. 46.....	Aug. 16, 1933
Connaught Lodge No. 69.....	Oct. 3, 1933
Dynamic Lodge No. 96.....	March 7, 1934
Albion Lodge No. 97.....	Sept. 7, 1933
Edgerton Lodge No. 102.....	July 3, 1933
Victory Lodge No. 112.....	Aug. 3, 1933
Gratton Lodge No. 144.....	July 20, 1933

The books and records were all in excellent shape, with one or two exceptions and promises were made that these would be brought up to date. Unfortunately there were few degrees, but those I was privileged to witness were exceptionally well exemplified and forcefully delivered. I also heard several addresses, all of which were very thoughtfully prepared and I know left a most favorable opinion with all listeners.

The membership of the District is 328 with 106 of these non-resident. During the year ended December, 1933, I regret to report a decrease of 14, made up as follows: 5 new members, 4 affiliations, 2 restored, while 12 were dismissed, 8 suspended and 5 died. There was a total of 103 meetings during the year, which includes 12 emergent. The first four months of this year reflect an improvement, with 5 new members and 5 affiliations. The attendance appears to be very satisfactory, considering all lodges have country members. Some of the lodges have a remarkable average, considering this aspect, which certainly reflects "that something" in Masonry which holds our attention.

All lodges have had two or more papers and four lodges have been following R. W. Bro. Chauncey's Educational Programmes, the other lodges have work which has probably taken up their time. I believe if finances were not so strained, those lodges not possessing a library would immediately make an effort to commence one, which would be a great help to them in preparing material for such papers. Copies of the "Principal Ideas involved in the functioning of Lodges" as sent out by the Grand Secretary, were made out and forwarded to each lodge and given to others in the District desiring the same. These ideas offer many avenues for improving conditions and making them of more interest to individual members.

Three lodges own their buildings, while a fourth is contemplating building. These lodge rooms are very suitable and a great credit to the individual members owning them, and while none of them are completely paid for, no great amount is outstanding on any one, arrangements having been made to cover these balances over a period of time. Two of these halls are used for no other purpose than Masonry, while the third is rented when opportunity arises.

A unique feature occurred at Palestine Lodge, Tofield, on February 14th, when two candidates received their first light in Masonry at the hands of yourself, M. W. Sir, assisted by R. W. Bros. Jos. Madill and R. J. Gaunt. Also present were the Senior Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. Downey, and R. W. Bros. West, Little, McCurdy and Leah. I sincerely

regret, that although I had prepared to be present, I was prevented from doing so.

GENERAL

I would like to express my very deep appreciation to R. W. Bros. Madill, Rev. Lyttle, H. B. Fowler, all of District No. 13, for their time and valuable assistance rendered District No. 17, and also to the many brethren throughout the District for their kind hospitality and assistance in covering the District, and to those who so kindly accompanied me on these journeys. And lastly, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to R. W. Bro. C. C. McKechnie, who acted as District Secretary. His services have been invaluable and he was always ready and willing to offer a word of advice, which was gratefully received.

I am mindful of the honor which District No. 17 has conferred upon myself and the trust they placed in me in electing me as D.D.G.M. and your approval of that election, and I hope that the members of the District, and yourself, will not consider that trust was misplaced. The year has gone all too quickly, but its memory will ever remain with me. The friendships made during the year are priceless and far outweigh any efforts I may have made.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

O. HAWTHORN,
D.D.G.M. District No. 17.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. W. J. Kirby (151), seconded by R. W. Bro. H. B. Grant (152), "That the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s be received and referred to the Committee on the Condition of Masonry."

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

Edmonton, June 12, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report as Grand Librarian of this Grand Lodge.

No books have been purchased for the Grand Lodge Reference Library during the year, but the Misses Macdonald, daughters of our late M. W. Bro. Geo. Macdonald, P.G.M., very generously presented to this library a number of books belonging to their father. A list is appended:

General History, Cyclopedia & Dictionary of Freemasonry
by Robert Macoy, 33°, 1872.

The Symbolism of Freemasonry by Albert G. Mackey, M.D.,
1869.

Masonic Jurisprudence by Albert G. Mackey, M.D., 1870.

Book of the Ancient Scottish Rite (Revised edition), by
Charles D. McClenaghan, 33°, 1901.

History of Freemasonry & Concordant Orders, 1904, by Board of Editors, Henry Leonard Stillson, Editor in Chief, and Wm. James Hughan, European Editor.
 Freemasonry in the Holy Land by Robert Morris, LL.D., 1872.
 The Royal Masonic Cyclopedia, circa 1890, by Kenneth R. H. MacKenzie, IX.
 (Masonic Library) Antiquities of Freemasonry by Rev. Geo. Oliver, D.D., M.A.S.E., circa 1880.
 (Masonic Library) Ahiman Rezon by Lau. Dermott, Secretary, circa 1880.

Books ordered by the Committee on Research and Education were procured and added to the Travelling Library, as follows:

- 1 Set British Masonic Miscellany.
- 1 Vol. Signs & Symbols of Primordial Man by Churchward.
- 1 Vol. Freemasonry & the Ancient Gods by J. S. M. Ward.

A duplicate set of the above were sent to the Central Masonic Temple at Edmonton, for the library there. That library was also supplied with a complete set of our Proceedings, the majority being bound in cloth, also a set of the 1932 Proceedings of other Canadian Grand Lodges, except Canada in Ontario for 1932; together with two Proceedings, Canada—1930 and 1931; a set of 1932 Proceedings, Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania.

Thirty lodges procured sets of the British Masonic Miscellany through this office, and seven sets were ordered for members. These sets of 20 volumes contain Masonic papers, articles and addresses which have been compiled by W. Bro. Geo. M. Martin, M.P., of Dundee, Scotland and published there. The volumes are small handy books, bound in cloth and generally they form in themselves a compact little library, covering a wide range of Masonic subjects, so that the young Mason, as well as those of greater experience, can find matters of interest and instruction in their pages. This set has been well received in other jurisdictions and will no doubt be of great value here.

We have received Annual Proceedings from the Grand Lodges with which we in communication, which have been placed on our library shelves. We have also received periodicals, reports, year books, etc., for which we extend our grateful thanks.

No portion of the grant authorized last year has been expended, but I would recommend that a similar appropriation for the reference library be made this year.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,
Grand Librarian.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), seconded by W. Bro. H. J. Adames (78), "That the report of the Grand Librarian be received and referred to the Committee on Masonic Research and Education."

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Edmonton, June 12, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master and Brethren of Grand Lodge:

A meeting of the Board of General Purposes was held in the Library, Masonic Temple, Calgary, immediately following the closing of Grand Lodge, on Thursday, June 15th, 1933, a full quorum being present, with the Deputy Grand Master in the chair.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect a Vice-President and to appoint the various members of the Board to the different Standing Committees thereof. R. W. Bro. Melvin M. Downey, Senior Grand Warden, was elected Vice-President, and it was resolved that the M. W. the Grand Master be requested to appoint the various members of the Standing Committees, and that thereafter the said Committees elect their respective Chairmen.

The Board then adjourned until the day preceding the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, except in case of emergency at the call of the Grand Master, or the President of the Board.

The Board again convened in the Board Room, Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton, at 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 12th, 1934, the Deputy Grand Master in the chair and a full quorum present.

A letter from W. Bro. H. E. Howard, expressing regret at not being able to be present, was read and filed.

With reference to the summary suspension of two brethren mentioned in the report of this Board, dated June 14th, 1933 (page 91 of Proceedings, 1933), a letter from the lodge to which the brethren had belonged, was read, requesting reinstatement of W. Bro. ————. It was resolved that until the conditions laid down by Grand Lodge were complied with, no action be taken.

A proposed new form for ballot papers was explained and it was resolved to recommend to Grand Lodge the adoption of same for use along with the set of instructions relating thereto, as submitted.

Certificates from the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Chairman of the Finance Committee and different members of the Finance Committee, of examination and check of the Government and Civic Bonds belonging to Grand Lodge, on August 22nd, and November 28th, 1933, March 1st and June 6th, 1934, were presented to the Board and noted.

It is the opinion of the Board that the Committee on the Condition of Masonry is of such importance that so far as possible the same Chairman should be elected from year to year.

The Board considers it desirable to prepare a form of questionnaire to be used by District Deputy Grand Masters in connection with their official visits to lodges.

Various other matters requiring the attention of the Board were submitted to the appropriate Standing Committees for consideration and report.

The Board of General Purposes then adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for the purpose of permitting the various Committees to prepare their reports.

It re-convened at 3:30 p.m., when the reports of the under-mentioned Standing Committees were carefully considered, and on resolution several received the approval of the Board. The reports will be presented to Grand Lodge for such action as that Grand Body may deem desirable.

The Committee on Jurisprudence.
The Committee on Grievances and Appeals.
The Committee on The Condition of Masonry.
The Committee on Finance.
The Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence.
The Committee on Masonic Research and Education.
The Committee on Charters and New Lodges.

The Committee on Credentials and Reception will not be in a position to report until after Grand Lodge has been in session for some time. At a suitable time the committee will report directly to Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

V. A. BOWES,
President.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. A. C. Moore (56), seconded by Bro. A. E. Ottewell (11), "That the Report of the Board of General Purposes be received and adopted."

**REPORT OF THE DEDICATION OF THE PEACE MEMORIAL
TEMPLE BY THE UNITED GRAND LODGE OF
ENGLAND AT LONDON**

M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, P.G.M.

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

On 27th June, 1919, following the signing of the Peace Treaty of Versailles, there was held in the City of London a meeting of the United Grand Lodge of England for the purpose of a Masonic Peace Celebration and at that meeting the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught, issued to the English Masonic fraternity a memorable message—a message of less than two hundred words and of only three sentences. In simple, but in surely inspired words, he invited English Masonry to consider the creation of a perpetual memorial of the Craft's gratitude to Almighty God for blessings bestowed, to perpetuate the memories of, and render fitting honour to the many brethren who fell in the Great War, and to combine in this memorial a central home for English Freemasons of the Empire.

At a meeting of Grand Lodge held in September, 1919, a committee was formed to consider the best means of carrying the Grand Master's proposal into effect and on 31st January, 1920, an appeal was made by

the Grand Master to the Craft to subscribe £1,000,000 to the Masonic Million Memorial Fund. By the 2nd day of March, 1921, the Chairman of the special committee reported that the sum of £250,000 towards the cost had been guaranteed, and from that point the work proceeded slowly but surely until on the 14th day of July, 1927, the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the Temple by the Grand Master was held at the Royal Albert Hall in the presence of over 8,000 Masons, including representatives from all over the world. By electrical synchronization the actual foundation stone was laid on the site at Great Queen Street. On the 19th day of July, 1933, the Freemasons of England formally entered into possession of the splendid new central home in the City of London—the home constructed as a Peace Memorial.

The Grand Master dedicated the Temple with impressive ritual, and for him, the ceremony was the consummation of the scheme which he inaugurated in 1919 and the development of which he followed and participated in down to the day of its successful completion.

To this ceremony the Grand Lodge of England invited two representatives from every Grand Jurisdiction with which it is in fraternal relationship and it was my high privilege to represent the Grand Lodge of Alberta at this memorable function. To give a detailed report of the entertainment furnished to us by our English brethren, to describe the ceremony of dedication, to paint a word picture of the solemn beauty of the Temple is quite beyond my power and I must be content to give a description as well in some small measure convey to you an idea of the gracious kindly reception, the generous lavish hospitality which we received, and the unique ceremonies in which we were privileged to participate.

I arrived in London on the 14th day of July, where a representative of the Grand Lodge of England met me at Euston Station and who took me to the Dorchester Hotel where accommodation had been arranged for me during my stay in London. I was one of 82 representatives from Grand Lodges beyond England, representatives who came from every continent in the world and representing Grand Lodges throughout the world. On my arrival at the hotel I found a reception committee in charge of the arrangements for the entertainment and comfort of the visiting delegation. Although the official ceremonies did not begin until the 17th, the reception committee had been functioning for several days and from the time of my arrival on the 14th until I left London on the 23rd, I did not even require to think for myself. Everything was arranged for us, our wishes were anticipated, and nothing was left undone to assure us of the warm welcome that the English Masons desired to extend to those who had come to visit them on this occasion. Neither were we left in doubt as to details of the week's activities. Printed programmes were furnished which gave us detailed information as to the time and place of each event and the clothing and regalia to be worn; invitations and admission cards were furnished and the efficient reception committee was always on hand to assist, direct and guide us. So perfect were the arrangements that at no time and on no occasion was there haste, confusion or bustle. The events of the week followed one after the other, all on time, all evidencing careful planning and skillful execution. Cars were placed at our disposal for the whole week and were available for all purposes.

On Monday evening the 17th of July a reception dinner was given at the Savoy Hotel and to this function the ladies were invited. There were no speeches and immediately after dinner we adjourned to an

adjoining room where the evening was spent in meeting and getting to know our hosts and the delegates from other parts of the world. It might not be out of place to mention the simple arrangements made for seating the large number of guests present. On entering the hotel we were furnished with a plan of the banquet tables and a list of the guests and in the printed list each guest found opposite his name the number of the table and the number of the seat assigned to him with the result that this huge gathering was seated without confusion in a very short time.

On Tuesday we paid an informal visit to the Houses of Parliament, and were conducted through that celebrated building and were shown the various places and points of interest in it.

On Tuesday afternoon, 18th July, an especial Grand Lodge meeting was held in The Royal Albert Hall presided over by the M. W. the Grand Master. There was a great company of 8,000 brethren in the Hall and I just regret my limitations in that I am unable to describe adequately the magnificent spectacle afforded by such a number of Masons in Regalia. In the arena there was mingled crimson and blue and gold and shaded off to the uniform pale blue.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form by the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, the Rt. Hon. Lord Cornwallis, after which the Grand Master was received, conducted to the throne and saluted in ancient form.

The arrival of visiting deputations, District Grand Lodge, and Overseas Lodges was announced and each deputation entered the hall as a separate procession and was heralded by a fanfare of trumpets. The first procession was that of English District Grand Lodges (from Bengal to Newfoundland, from Japan to South Africa) followed in turn by South American Grand Lodges, Australasia, Canada, Ten European Countries, Twenty-one of the United States of America, Scotland and Ireland. Prolonged applause greeted the arrival of each procession and in the case of the Canadian Deputations the applause continued until we reached the steps leading to the Grand East. On reaching the East the name and rank of each individual visitor was announced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies and each was presented to and welcomed personally in turn by the Grand Master and then conducted to the seat allotted to him. The Deputations were then saluted according to ancient form—a truly magnificent spectacle which I must leave to your imagination. After our reception, H.R.H. Prince George, K.G., was invested as Senior Grand Warden and thereafter occupied the chair of that office and carried out the work appropriate thereto.

This ceremony was followed by the conferring of Masonic honours on more than 100 of the English brethren and the Grand Master signified his pleasure that the Provincial and District Grand Masters should be entitled to confer honours in their provinces and districts in celebration of the occasion.

Addresses were then tendered by the visiting deputations to the M. W. Grand Master. The address on behalf of the Canadian Grand Lodges was delivered by M. W. Bro. Herrington, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, with dignified presence and in choice language, to all of which, at the conclusion of the addresses, The Grand Master made suitable reply. This concluded the ceremony and Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

Apart from the magnificence of the spectacle, what possibly struck my attention most forcibly was the composition of that huge gathering. In addition to the Grand Master there were present, H.R.H. Prince of Wales, Provincial Grand Master of Surrey, H.R.H. Duke of York, Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex, H.R.H. Prince George, Senior Grand Warden and with them Earls, Viscounts, Baronets, Knights, Honourables and plain men such as you and me, all joined together in a truly democratic gathering where ranks were levelled and where we met each other all on the same plane. We, in this country are hardly able to realize how widely spread Masonry is in Great Britain and how every rank and walk of life is represented in its active membership.

On the evening of Tuesday we were entertained to dinner by the Grand Officers mess at the Connaught Rooms.

On Wednesday, 19th July, nearly 6,000 Masons assembled within the Peace Memorial Temple for the solemn Ceremony of Dedication. Two thousand of the brethren were accommodated in the Great Temple while the others had places in the sixteen Lodge Rooms throughout the building and to them the words and music of the ceremony were relayed by loud speakers.

Again it is impossible for me to describe adequately the impressive ceremony of dedication. The magnificence of the Temple itself, the colourful spectacle of 2,000 Masons in regalia, the music from a magnificent pipe organ and the singing of a Masonic choir combined at once to render a description in mere words beyond the power of any ordinary individual. When the general body of brethren had taken their places the visiting deputations entered the temple and proceeded to the East. They were followed immediately by the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Lodge officers. A lodge was then opened in the three degrees and the Grand Director of Ceremonies announced the Grand Master, who was conducted to the throne, and saluted according to antient form.

The Grand Master announced that he had dispatched a telegram to His Majesty, expressing the loyalty and devotion of the Freemasons to his Throne and person and he read the reply received by him from the King, expressing His Majesty's appreciation. The opening Hymn "Hail Eternal by whose aid" was followed by an address from the Grand Master on the purposes of the meeting.

The architects of the building were then presented to the Grand Master and they submitted to him the plans of the completed building.

The Bishop of Guildford, Grand Chaplain, who delivered the Oration, suggested that in the inauguration of the Peace Memorial Scheme the Grand Master had given Masonry the greatest of the many leads which had made his tenure of office so constructive an era in the history of the Craft.

After the appropriate anthem "Except the Lord build the house their Labour is but lost that built it," beautifully rendered by the choir, the Pro. Grand Master, Rt. Hon. Lord Amptill, the Senior Grand Warden, H.R.H. Prince George, and the Junior Grand Warden, Captain Cornwallis, carried round the Grand Temple the vessels containing the elements of consecration.

The Pro Grand Master on the first perambulation dedicated the Temple to Freemasonry, scattering corn, the symbol of plenty. On

the second the Pro Grand Master poured wine, the symbol of joy and cheerfulness, and dedicated the temple to virtue. On the third circuit the Pro Grand Master poured oil, the symbol of peace and unanimity and dedicated the temple to universal benevolence.

The officers then resumed their stations, the choir sang the "Sanctus" and the Grand Chaplain carried the censer thrice around the temple.

The closing Hymn "Now thank we all our God", having been sung the lodge was closed by the Grand Master and the singing of the National Anthem brought to a close a memorable and an historic occasion and one without parallel in the history of English Freemasonry.

I must try to give some description of the building and in doing so must acknowledge the assistance I have had from the descriptive booklet given to us at the time of the Ceremony and from the then current daily press.

The Memorial is the third Masonic building to stand on the site in Great Queen Street. The first was opened and dedicated by Lord Petre, Grand Master in 1776. The second, which was opened in 1866, was demolished to make way for the present structure.

The area covered by the Temple is over two acres in extent and it is situate at the junction of Drury Lane, Wild Street and Great Queen Street. Its dimensions are 120 feet long by 90 feet wide and 62 feet high. The ground floor contains the Administration Department, the Grand Chapter Room, the Board Room and the offices of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, together with Robing Vestibule, Cloak Rooms, etc.

On the first floor is the Grand Temple, Grand and Past Grand Officers rooms, the Library and the Museum and the spacious registration rooms and vestibules leading to the Grand Temple.

The second and third floors are entirely occupied by the sixteen lodge rooms, each one a complete unit with ante rooms and all other necessary accommodation. These lodge rooms are of varying sizes, accommodating from 50 to 400 brethren and each one offering a different scheme of planing, construction and decoration.

The corridors are so arranged that a complete circuit can be made on each floor and there are staircases and elevators so that there is convenient and easy access to all parts of the building.

On entering the main entrance the brethren go through the Entrance hall to the large robing vestibule and thence by way of the winding staircase on either side they reach the main ceremonial floor of the building, first reaching the First Vestibule, on the walls of which are recorded the Hall Stone Lodges, then the registration room and from there to the Second Vestibule where the principal entrance to the Temple is reached. The Temple must be seen in order that its artistic quality and beauty may be fully appreciated.

The temple has three galleries without visible support constructed of light marble. The floor descends from all sides to the centre, where is the Masonic carpet. Above the cornice the ceiling is coved, with mosaic decorations of Masonic subjects lit from behind the cornice. Marble steps lead to the dais where the seats are arranged in concentric segments of a circle with the Grand Master's seat under a gilt canopy. At the back the wall is three sided with a curtain of gold brocade in

each panel. Under each of the side galleries are stained glass windows while the seats are upholstered in blue, the carpets being of the same colour. The mosaics are said to be the finest in England, gold and blue being the predominating colours while the richly coloured ceiling culminates in a representation of the Celestial Canopy.

Particularly striking features in the building are the Bronze Screens on the first floor, the bronze doors to the principal entrances and the bronze doors to the Grand Temple.

On the outside of the Temple doors are eight panels, depicting the material aspect—the Craftsmen preparing and conveying the materials to Jerusalem for the building of King Solomon's Temple. On the inside, the Spiritual is represented. "The Creator deigning to bless man's estate on earth hath opened the hand of His Benevolence with good gifts."

Stained glass windows have been employed in important positions; particularly beautiful and interesting being the windows by the winding stairs illustrating the six periods of creation, the First Vestibule window, and the Board Room windows, depicting the seven liberal arts and sciences. Indeed one writer summed up the whole by describing the inside of the building as a symphony of colour. The building is faced with Portland Stone and on the outside the decorative scheme has been kept small in detail with the result that nothing detracts from the dignity of the whole mass.

The most striking feature of the exterior is the great tower 160 feet high and it is the part of the building which is specially dedicated to those who fell during the Great War.

I realize the utter inadequacy of the foregoing attempted description. The Temple is one of those things which must be seen.

The cost of the building was £1,000,000—all paid for—all raised by the voluntary contribution of English Masons.

In the evening various forms of entertainment were provided. I had the honour of being invited as the guest of Bro. Captain H. Crookshank to dinner in the House of Commons. The guests were all Masons and all from the British Empire. It was an informal and delightful gathering.

On Thursday morning we returned to the Temple where we had an opportunity of going through the whole building, but even at that we only had a hurried glance at its many beauties. After viewing the Temple a meeting was held in the Board Room at which congratulatory addresses were delivered by many of the visiting deputations to the Grand Lodge of England and these addresses were received and appreciation voiced in return by the Pro Grand Master, Lord Amphill. We were then entertained to luncheon by the Grand Steward's Lodge at the Connaught Rooms.

In the afternoon we had the pleasure of attending the Royal Garden party at Buckingham Palace, given by Their Majesties The King and Queen, and in the evening we were the guests of the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Percy Greenway, at the Mansion House. This latter was a very formal function presided over by our Host. Prince George, who was among the guests, proposed the toast of The Lord Mayor of London. After dinner we had the pleasure of seeing through the vaults in the Mansion House and were shown the gold and silver

pieces belonging to the City of London, said to be valued at approximately \$5,000,000.00

On Friday morning we paid a visit to the new school of the Royal Masonic Institute for Girls.

The Royal Masonic Institute was founded in 1788 for the purpose of educating or assisting in the education of the daughters of Freemasons, who owing to death, illness or misfortune of their parents are unable to receive that education to which they would otherwise have been entitled. The Institute carries out this wonderful work by different methods. Grants for out education are made and these grants vary from £25 to £50 per annum, and by this means one thousand girls are provided for. A Junior school for girls between the ages of seven and ten is maintained at Weybridge and it provides accommodation for 120 girls. It has been in operation since 1918.

Until 1933 the Senior Girls' School was maintained at Clapham Junction, where it had functioned for over eighty years. When it was first built this school was almost in the country. Today it is in a very thickly populated part of the City of London, and in addition the accommodation was no longer equal to the demands upon it, with the result that a fund was inaugurated in 1923 for the purpose of acquiring new quarters. The foundation stone was laid in 1930 and possession was taken in 1933. The school is about 20 miles from London in a beautiful location and standing in spacious grounds. It comprises school and class rooms, with Chapel, Gymnasium, Swimming Pool, Assembly Hall, Administration Block, with residential houses for the children and a Sanatorium. There is accommodation for 400 girls. The estimated cost of the scheme apart from the site is £360,000 all to be and almost all now raised by voluntary subscription. The annual cost of operating the schools and providing grants is £85,000 and as there is only an assured income of approximately £13,000 no less than £72,000 must be contributed each year. The Institution is doing splendid work. It is for the daughters of Masons; it is in no sense a charity but it puts into their hands weapons with which they can fight their own battles and become self-reliant and independent members of society.

We visited in the afternoon the senior and junior schools at Bushey maintained by the Royal Masonic Institute for boys. Founded in 1798, the Institute has continued its work down to the present time. Today 1,330 boys are receiving benefits, 800 in the schools, and the others by means of grants. Scholarships are available for ex-pupils of the school of an annual value of from £50 to £75 so that a university course for these ex-pupils is made available. The annual cost of the boys' schools approximately £110,000 and this too must be raised by voluntary subscription. In addition to academic training there are facilities in the boys' schools for instruction in carpentry, printing and book-binding.

The Royal Benevolent Institution cares for 1,900 brethren and the widows of brethren, mainly by means of annuities varying from £56 to £68 per annum. The annual income of Girls' Schools, the Boys' Schools and the Benevolent Institute is approximately £250,000—the result of voluntary contributions from English Freemasons.

On Friday evening three lodges in London had extended invitations to the visiting delegates and I received and accepted an invitation

to attend Canada Lodge, where a first degree was conferred. Later in the evening we attended a banquet given by Canada Lodge.

On Saturday we visited the Shakespeare country as guests, of course, of the Grand Lodge of England, proceeding in the afternoon to Oxford, where we had the pleasure of visiting several of the colleges. A banquet at Oxford terminated the week's activities and we then reluctantly said Good-Bye to those kindly brethren who had so generously cared for us during the preceding ten days.

There were several matters which particularly struck my attention, on which I wish to comment. One was the punctuality observed by the English Masons in carrying out programmes. If a meeting was called for 7:30 that is the hour at which it commenced. Even at the two big meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday where there were 8,000 and approximately 6,000 in attendance, one would almost anticipate that there might be some delay and that the meetings would be late in getting under way. Not so. Each meeting commenced precisely at the set hour of three o'clock and it might be well for us to take that lesson to ourselves and start our meetings more promptly than we do. Just as procrastination is the thief of time so unpunctuality in starting a meeting detracts from its usefulness and in time has the effect of keeping members away.

Perhaps we too can profit by the example of English Masons in the field of Masonic Benevolence. Lodge Dues are perhaps the smallest part of the Mason's financial contribution in England. I am told that the average annual per capita contribution in England, apart altogether from lodge dues, is \$100.00. To this must be added the enormous amount of labour involved in the supervision and operation of the many varied schemes which are in force. Our achievement in that respect falls very far short of the standard set for us by our English brethren. I do not make this comment in any spirit of criticism of our own jurisdiction or our own membership and for two reasons. First, England is a country of great wealth; it numbers its Masons in hundreds of thousands and has been at work for over two hundred years. We are still in the pioneer stage, with a limited membership and still very young. Second, England has had greater need of benevolent activity than we, since our membership has until now been made up of comparatively young men. That need in England has forced the brethren there to provide machinery whereby a Mason can find scope for his charitable instincts, both financially and by way of service. We are reaching the stage in Alberta where demands for assistance will increase year by year and so too the time has come where we must provide the machinery whereby our benevolent funds can be augmented by voluntary contribution. I am persuaded that even in the present trying times there are scores of Masons who could and would contribute to benevolent funds, if some proper system were evolved for that purpose. All we need is the machinery and the results will follow.

In the centuries that have passed Britain has given leadership to the whole world in every form of human activity. So too has the Mother Grand Lodge of the world given to the Masonic world Masonic leadership. It is for us to read the lesson to profit by the example set so that we too can conform to the high ideals set for us and achieve the same degree of success whereby we will be able to relieve want and suffering in the ranks of our own membership.

In conclusion, I cannot do better than to quote the words of the Pro Grand Master, when, speaking at a Masonic Festival at Olympia on 8th August, 1925, he said:

"Our new Temple will rise not only as a Memorial to the dead, but also as a sign and inspiration to the living, so that the new generation may persist with renewed zeal in the building of that invisible Temple not made with hands, which is the ultimate and highest object of our fraternity.

Fraternally submitted,

G. M. BLACKSTOCK.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), seconded by M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid (14), "That the thanks of Grand Lodge be tendered to M. W. Bro. Blackstock for his report and that the same be printed in the Proceedings."

ELECTION OF D.D.G.M. DISTRICT No. 2

The Grand Master directed the members of Masonic District No. 2 who were present and registered to retire and elect a D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year, the D.D.G.M. elect having resigned. The brethren accordingly retired and on their return reported that W. Bro. H. Norman Davis of Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, had been elected as D.D.G.M. of that district, subject to the confirmation of the Grand Master.

ELECTION OF GRAND MASTER

The Grand Master then called for nominations for the office of Grand Master. The Grand Secretary stated that one nomination only had been received, being for R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, D.G.M. The Grand Master accordingly declared R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes unanimously elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

Edmonton, June 12, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

*"We must not hope to be mowers
And to gather the ripe gold ears,
Unless first we have been sowers
And watered the furrows with tears.
It is not just as we take it,
This mythical world of ours;
Life's field will yield as we make it,
A harvest of thorns or of flowers."*

Thus it occurs to you committee that much of the sowing and reaping of Masonry, much of that which lends life and vitality to our Fraternity, develops from the manner and degree with which we discharge our responsibility towards that supreme grace, Charity. We realize that the work of your committee is not the full story of Masonic benevolence in this jurisdiction by a good margin and would desire to pay our respects to those lodges who, though doing very fine work, yet have never called on your Relief Fund to aid them in their work. There is no scale or standard by which can be measured the help rendered by your fund from year to year, as it can not be expressed entirely in terms of dollars and bread. What of the friendly counsel, the word of cheer, the stiffened morale, the touch of nature which makes even the whole world kind! Under the benign influence of this work we have seen the orphan grow to maturity and good citizenship, the sick restored to health, the maimed supplied with missing limbs and become again a part of this workaday world, the sick and dying brother's hand held firm while he enters upon that journey from whence no traveller returns, and lastly and most happily the widow's tears of sorrow changed to tears of joy when she is enabled to more adequately care for her orphaned children by the assistance of your Fund.

Material values, however, for the year past are the disbursement of \$11,325.60 in 74 cases, representing 162 beneficiaries. Appended to this report will be a detailed list.

We desire to express our appreciation to all those persons and bodies who aid us in keeping in personal touch with our people and in many instances supervising the disbursement of funds. From Glasgow, Scotland, to Harbin, Manchuria, your loving hand of help and cheer stretches forth, not foreshortened by the mighty seas between, to lend that aid counsel and advice for which we have obligated ourselves. In foreign jurisdictions either the Grand Lodge or a local lodge is the medium through which we work. In Vancouver, however, owing to the large number of our people residing there, we are indebted to the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau for the handling of all our cases. These courtesies, of course, are exchanged and we find our Grand Secretary at the moment is acting for the United Grand Lodge of England for one of their beneficiaries living in Calgary.

A better understanding of the purposes of your Relief and Benevolent Funds is prevailing, but there is still much need of their scope and aim being explained to the Craft. Despite specific prohibition of grants toward funeral expenses, during the year two such requests were received. It would seem necessary to re-iterate that the one and only purpose of your Relief Fund is to supplement that which the lodge is already doing. It should also be borne in mind that it was never contemplated that a lodge should involve itself in some relief case and at a later date look back to this committee for a rebate on what had been expended. Unfortunately this very procedure has led to some misunderstanding in the past. Inasmuch as we shall be adopting a new Constitution within a short time, it would seem advisable that space in the new book be set aside for a summary of the regulations and practices surrounding our two funds, as adopted by Grand Lodge from time to time.

All avenues of public help such as Old Age Pension, Mother's Allowance and local relief are sought for the benefit of applicants. There are services to which these people have contributed through their taxes and are entitled to by right in time of need. Masonic

charity is not a source to save a brother from receiving help from these public funds but is always intended, where given in those cases, to enable the beneficiary the better to retain his self respect and enjoy some of those comforts not otherwise possible. It must at all times be remembered that Masonic charity is not a matter of right in the legal sense; its continuity is not assured, nor can it be regarded in any sense as income. While Masonic charity is the cable tow which lovingly lies upon us and binds us together in one indivisible chain, yet it must at all times be considered as a voluntary offering, freely give in sympathy and kindness, where distress is calling. In the general picture of public relief a new factor has recently arisen, whereby relief officers are interpreting Masonic help as income, and as such is deductible from the normal allowance payable from public funds. Our position is, that such a ruling is discriminating against Masons and serves only to tap Masonic funds to the saving of the public treasury. Unless rescinded it will mean that our people are not benefited by our help and thus we shall be obliged to withdraw such help as is being given in this type of case. Your committee is using every endeavor to have this ruling changed.

We regret to inform you that since our last report four of our beneficiaries have answered the last summons. A more happy circumstance was the marriage of one of our widowed beneficiaries and we wish her all happiness. Two orphan families, who have been with us for many years, are nearly on a self supporting basis now and if conditions continue to improve it will not be long till they will be able to report that our help is no longer necessary.

An immense amount of correspondence is entailed in our work, which occupies a large part of the time of our Grand Secretary's office. You may recall this was brought to the attention of Grand Lodge last year, with the suggestion that a portion of the office expense be charged against the Relief Fund. Your committee does not propose herein to express its views on the matter, but would merely like to record its appreciation for the hearty co-operation from that office.

Two new members came to the committee this year, in the persons of R. W. Bro. W. J. Snaddon and M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell. Of necessity the majority of our members must reside in Calgary, to ensure a quorum at the meetings which are held regularly each month.. While those members living outside Calgary are unable to attend our meetings, yet their services are availed of when cases arise in their vicinity, their advice is sought on general committee matters and in order to keep them in touch with our affairs they receive copies of our minutes following each meeting. It is felt that this arrangement works admirably in the carrying out of the duties of your committee.

Fraternally submitted,

V. H. MACAULAY,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted."

BENEFICIARIES OF GRAND LODGE

February 1st, 1933, to January 31st, 1934.

- Bro. W. A. A. Ill with heart trouble. Daughter also ill. Family destitute. Grant of \$225.00.
- Mrs. A. A. Aged widow. Grant of \$90.00.
- Bro. A. A. Wife seriously ill. Grant of \$25.00.
- Bro. E. P. B. Temporary grant of \$20.00.
- Mrs. C. B. Widow without means. Grant of \$40.00.
- Bro. J. B. Unable to work. Chronic disease. Five children. Grant of \$120.00.
- Mrs. S. E. B. Widow without means. Grant of \$227.76.
- Mrs. A. B. Widow. Two small children. Grant of \$200.00.
- Bro. L. D. B. Chronic disability. Two children to support. Grant of \$330.00.
- Mrs. C. C. Widow without means. Grant of \$200.00.
- Mrs. T. C. Aged widow without means. Grant of \$160.00.
- Mrs. L. J. C. Widow with four children. Grant of \$125.00.
- Bro. H. T. C. Widower with incurable disease. Grant of \$120.00.
- Bro. A. C. Aged brother without means. Grant of \$25.00.
- Mrs. E. F. C. Husband in hospital. Grant of \$150.00.
- Two orphan children of late Bro. J. C. Grant of \$145.00.
- Bro. E. D. C. Ill and in distress. Grant of \$120.00.
- Bro. M. C. Chronic heart trouble. Unable to work. Grant of \$305.00.
- Mrs. S. H. D. Widow without means. Grant of \$240.00.
- Mrs. H. D. Widow without means. Grant of \$40.00.
- Mrs. J. H. D. Aged widow. Grant of \$125.00.
- Mrs. D. Aged widow. Grant of \$120.00.
- Misses D. & B. Orphan daughters of a brother, without means. Grant of \$375.00.
- Bro. W. S. O. E. Sick in British Columbia. Grant of \$100.00.
- Bro. A. W. E. Aged brother without means. Grant of \$50.00.
- Bro. A. F. F. Chronic illness. Invalid wife and sick daughter. Grant of \$420.00.
- Mrs. E. J. F. Aged blind widow. Grant of \$300.00.
- Bro. T. W. F. Permanently disabled. Grant of \$300.00.
- Bro. J. H. F. Incapacitated by illness. Grant of \$170.00.
- Mrs. R. G. Widow with two children and no means. Grant of \$305.00.
- Mrs. C. G. Widow with four children. Grant of \$40.00.
- Bro. W. C. G. Temporary grant of \$50.00.
- Bro. E. H. Wife seriously ill, family in distress. Grant of \$25.00.
- Bro. T. H. Tuberculosis of the spine. Grant of \$275.00.
- Mrs. M. J. H. Aged widow without means. Grant of \$60.00.
- Mrs. S. H. Aged widow. Disabled. Grant of \$185.00.
- Bro. W. P. H. Aged brother, crippled. Grant of \$10.00.
- Bro. A. E. H. Chronic illness. Grant of \$240.00.
- Bro. E. J. Sick. Two children. Grant of \$72.00.
- Mrs. S. J. Widow without means. Grant of \$360.00.
- Mrs. W. J. Deserted by husband. One child. Grant of \$300.00.
- Mrs. L. K. Widow with one child. Grant of \$300.00.
- Mrs. O. M. K. Widow with invalid child. Grant of \$120.00.
- Bro. A. L. Temporary grant of \$25.00.
- Bro. A. C. L. Permanently disabled. Grant of \$150.00.
- Mrs. D. R. McD. Widow with several children. Grant of \$95.00.
- Mrs. I. M. Widow with one child. Grant of \$154.90.
- Mrs. D. M. Widow in distress. Temporary grant of \$40.00.
- Bro. W. S. M. Tubercular case. Unable to work. Grant of 90.50.

Bro. A. M.	Wife an invalid. Two children.	Grant of \$300.00.
Mrs. J. M.	Widow with one child.	Grant of \$165.00.
Mrs. M. M.	Widow with one child.	Grant of \$120.00.
Bro. A. W. McK.	Seriously ill.	Grant of \$50.00.
Mrs. E. McC.	Widow without means.	Grant of \$460.94.
Bro. A. S. McC.	Seriously ill in hospital.	Grant of \$95.00;
Mrs. L. McC.	Widow and boy.	Grant of \$180.00
Mrs. M. I. McL.	Widow with three children.	Grant of \$185.00;
Mrs. W. M.	Widow in distress.	Grant of \$30.00.
Bro. G. N.	Invalid brother without means.	Grant of \$125.00.
Mrs. J. H. P.	Widow with three children.	Grant of \$120.00.
Mrs. L. P.	Widow without means.	Grant of \$180.00.
Mrs. M. J. P.	Aged widow.	Grant of \$65.00.
Mrs. J. C. R.	Widow with four children.	Grant of \$120.00;
Mrs. P. R.	Aged widow.	Grant of \$180.00.
Mrs. D. R. R.	Widow without means.	Grant of \$240.00.
Bro. A. G. S.	Blind.	Grant of \$300.00.
Mrs. A. S.	Widow with invalid daughter.	Grant of \$50.00.
Bro. A. T. S.	Sick in hospital.	Temporary grant of \$150.00.
Bro. J. M. S.	Chronic rheumatism.	Grant of \$30.00.
Bro. J. W.	Aged brother.	Grant of \$20.00.
Mrs. W. W.	Aged widow.	Grant of \$90.00.
Mrs. A. W.	Widow without means.	Grant of \$90.00.
Three orphan children of late Bro. J. D. W.		Grant of \$410.00.
Mrs. S. E. W.	Aged widow.	Grant of \$240.00.
Sundries		—\$25.00.
Total Grants		\$11,886.10
Less contributions from lodges for beneficiaries		560.50
Total Grants by Grand Lodge		\$11,325.60

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

One case, No. 13 on the records of Grand Lodge, was referred to your committee, being a charge of gross unmasonic conduct, to which the accused pleaded guilty when tried by his lodge, which suspended him indefinitely and recommended his expulsion from Masonry.

In the light of the evidence submitted your committee concurs in the finding and recommends that this member be expelled from Masonry by Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

A. M. MITCHELL,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the report of the Committee of Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on the Revision of the Constitution beg to report that considerable progress has been made during the past year, and it is their expectation that "draft copies" will be placed in the hands of the lodges during the present year so that the revision may come before the Grand Lodge at the next Annual Communication.

You are requested to authorize the Finance Committee to make any expenditure that may be necessary to complete the work.

Fraternally submitted,

A. M. MITCHELL,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That the Report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Edmonton, June 13, 1934

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Two matters have been referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

First: The question of the adoption of a form of Ritual for the opening and closing of District Meetings.

Your committee, after deliberation, has come to the conclusion that the matter is of sufficient importance to warrant further consideration.

We recommend, therefore, that a committee composed of M. W. Bro. Connacher, M. W. Bro. Kemmis and M. W. Bro. Mitchell, be appointed to draft a Ritual for the opening and closing of District Meetings, to be submitted to the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Second: A lodge in this Jurisdiction having initiated a candidate under circumstances which amounted to an invasion of jurisdiction, the Grand Master arrested its Charter. Due amends have been made by the Lodge and the Grand Master having recommended that the Charter be restored, your committee has been asked to define the status of the candidate.

In the opinion of your committee the whole proceedings were a nullity and the lodge in question must proceed with the application anew, commencing with the reception of the petition.

Fraternally submitted,

G. M. BLACKSTOCK,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock (35), seconded by M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Kerby (83), "That the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence be received and adopted."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 5:30 o'clock p.m.

In the evening a banquet was held in the Central Masonic Temple, for which extra tables had to be set, over 450 brethren attending. A prominent feature of the entertainment provided was the selections rendered by the Edmonton Male Chorus, under leadership of Bro. W. J. Hendra, each number being enthusiastically received. W. Bro. The Rev. Philip Duncan delivered the address of the evening, which made all who heard him regret exceedingly the fact that this gifted brother was about to remove to the City of Toronto, having received a call to one of the principal churches there. The evening was voted one of the most successful banquets that Grand Lodge had ever held.

ADDRESS

“BUILDING MANHOOD”

by

W. Bro. The Rev. Philip Duncan, B.A., of Edmonton

Given at the Banquet held in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton,
Wednesday evening, the 13th of June, 1934, in connection
with the Annual Communication of the Grand
Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Right Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

One can't read our newspapers and popular magazines these days without feeling that this is a day when collectivism is having its innings. "Groups" are sacred units in our day. Hands off! Organized national parties hold the floor. Their voice is loud and almost incessant. Communism in Russia—Fascism in Italy—Hitlerism in Germany—N.R.A. in U.S.A. Of course they all differ widely in doctrines. The brown shirt is diametrically opposed to the red tie; but they have all one idea in common—the sanctity of the group. The dominance of collective control over our individual life.

This is, of course, the outcome of our terrific world catastrophe, followed by social and economic breakdown. Just as Napoleon's dictatorship followed the French Revolution, so following the debacle in modern society after the great war, comes the coercive order. As someone has said—war has never made the world safe for democracy, it always makes it ready for dictatorship.

At any rate it is clear to me that in our day the individual is secondary and the mass is first consideration, with perhaps one exception, in the prevalent spirit of gambling where the mass suffers that the very few might gain!

Lately I have been haunted by this undervaluing of the individual. I am even beginning to worry a little about the loss of my blood bought liberty. Some of us are wondering if we shall not soon have to have another magna charta. The pendulum of social legislation has been swinging so far that one does wonder if there is such a thing as an individual. One in our day has to be careful what one sows on the land and what one says in the market place. One must exercise great care to be sure that one is not in an unlawful assembly. Quite recently I was at an open air meeting in the market square, where the interests of a certain group were being zealously maintained. I am not saying one word about their cause—that is not my subject—but I deliberately milled around the crowd listening, conversing in an off hand way and submitting to the impacts of the various personalities, and I could not help feeling that more important than the preservation of this particular group was the preservation of an sanctity of the individual. I could not help thinking of the fine spirit of that forlorn individual who was carrying a tattered banner through Trafalgar Square in London a year or two ago, with these words on it, "Let's be pleasant to each other. We are all having a dreadful time." To-night I am not losing

sight of the importance of organization nor am I minimizing the value of groups, but I am reminding myself that these are all made up of units and the quality of the unit is of the utmost importance to the quality of the group—"Building Manhood." Masonry may not be concerned with the building or preservation of any particular group in society, but I take it that Masonry is intensely concerned with the building of the manly units of society; that this Order has a profound faith that if we build manhood, then our social relationships will adjust themselves much more easily.

With individual citizens of true Masonic integrity, many of us will have less fear for our civilization passing into the limbo of oblivion.

For does not history clearly show that the test of all social and economic orders is what happens to the individual under it? But some ardent socialist might want to differ with me here and remind me of the present mess in which society is. But I would reply without any hesitation that the present mess can be explained because of the lack of concern that was shown for the individual. There has not been sufficient interest in what was happening to the individual—men and women and children, one by one. Lincoln was moved to his greatest reform by watching a slave girl being auctioned off in New Orleans—just an individual girl.

I plead tonight for the sanctity of the personality; for the building of the individual, not Communism, Fascism nor any other "ism," but for a well built all round manhood; then the 'isms will take care of themselves. Whether he be Jew, Gentile, Chinese, Hindu or Slav, my plea is that modern Masonry may join its brotherly hands around the world and build manhood.

Moreover, I know of no task so noble as that of building personalities. The most powerful influences in our lives have been persons. Not abstractions or theories, but persons, not even principles so much as people. Most of us can look back on our homes and testify with great heart that the contagion of the personalities of our parents was far more powerful than the logic of their admonitions. We may have forgotten much what they said, but we have not forgotten them.

No worthy building is ever erected without a carefully laid plan. Any Mason will at once ask himself as he finds himself confronted by life—"Now what am I going to build? Answer—Manhood. Yes, but the plan of the building will depend on the purpose of the building. There is a slight difference between the plan of the slaughterhouses and a hospital or a jail and a church. The plan depends on the purpose. And what could be the purpose of a Mason's building with the background of our teaching, but to create brotherhood the world over.

Brethren, what an achievement that would be. It would relegate Geneva into the background. It would make the League of Nations blush and the world court hide its face, and the professional diplomats of the world would fly into retirement. What a task—a universal task to build a manhood that will bring into being world wide brotherhood. And mind you it is not impossible. We have the capacity to be brethren the world over. Of course it is the best that is in us; but it is in us if we can only get it out. The fact is that the building of this noble manhood is the task of getting the best that is in us out.

*"Truth is within ourselves; it takes no rise
From outward things whateve you may believe*

*There is inmost center in us all
Where Truth abides in fullness.*

*"——— And to know
"Rather consists in opening out a way
Whence the imprisoned splendor may escape
Than in effecting entry for a light
Supposed to be without."*

— Browning.

Most encouraging that we do not have to be someone else, but just ourselves at our best. We often hear of the three selfs. The self people think we are—that is our reputation. Then there is the self we think we are—our self estimate—and then there is the self we really are, and that is our character. But there is a fourth self we hear too little about; it is the self we might be—the possible self. Nothing is more challenging in this universe than the possible you. To be not as we are but to be one's best—even if it is a small part, like Brookfield the actor—'Never a great actor—he was invaluable in small parts.'

May I briefly suggest two foundation pillars upon which this manhood will be built.

1. The assumption THAT OUR HUMAN LIFE HAS SPIRITUAL ORIGINS and spiritual destiny. A deep conviction about God, and no Mason need be ashamed of that.

Clarence Darrow, one of the outstanding Atheists of America, at 76, in speaking to young graduates recently, said, "If I were a young man with life ahead of me I think I'd chuck it all." Of course, and that is the message I would expect from an Atheist or from manhood built without spiritual foundations. Such a one is bound to become cynical. He will be bitter and rebellious and miserable for the riddle of this weird universe cannot be solved without faith in its Great Architect and an implicit trust in its great Geometrician. This foundation is a profound conviction about the ultimate meaning of life. We shall never build manhood until we zealously endeavour to get the best out of ourselves and we can never do that until we get ourselves set on the real meaning of life.

We sometimes foolishly argue about doctrines and seem much concerned even in pulpits about belief in God. But the tragedy of many lives is that they do not believe in themselves. That fellow who came to my clinic to tell me his sad story had a changed countenance of hope when I told him that I thought him a lad with a fine spirit and a most promising personality. He looked as if he had discovered a new self, but it was himself. Here, brethren, is the crux of this fine building of manhood. We have to creatively identify ourself with our best self. It will always be difficult. There will always be contacts to pull us down. It took hard days to make a Lincoln. So our building will not be founded on grassy meads of ease, but most likely out of the rough hewn rock of adversity.

2. FOUNDATION OF CREATIVE HABITS. The fact is, if we are to build manhood we must have a technique. All art is developed by good technique, and we must learn the technique for the art of noble living. It is fundamental to the game of life as it is to the game of golf. (I do not know how to hold the caddie). When we slice we complain that we are not in form—our swing is off—we must get back

our form. Even golf is a matter of technique created by right habits of play. So there is an indispensable technique if we are to build a worthy manhood. Our daily, weekly, yearly habits make our own technique by which we decide to live or play the game of life.

Life is so frequently fraught with difficult situations. Often we are hurled into shadowy glens. Near tragedy takes us; unless we have sure foundations our building quivers and as often happens hurls itself to destruction to end it all. But if by the right habits we have developed a technique based, for example, on the sound foundation of the spiritual interpretation of this universe, then we are able by that faith to stand and meet any situation. And we shall be real men, having built a worthy manhood. These habits which have made us assume our spiritual origins and our eternal destiny have taught us that there is purpose and meaning in life.

Did you ever think of Martin Luther's technique, when he stood before that royal assembly and was called upon to recant, "Here I stand before God, I can do no other." That was a result of habit, vividly aware of his Creator. What a foundation upon which to build manhood.

Or did you ever think of the technique of that pioneer missionary, tied to the Roman soldier day and night, as he wrote to his friend from that jail, "Rejoice and again I say rejoice."

Or Bunyan, instead of languishing in Bedford jail took up his quill and wrote "The Pilgrim's Progress," convinced by his habits that he was a co-worker with his Creator, that he was called to this great task and that there was a purpose for even his imprisonment.

These solid foundations were a result of technique in living—habits of devotion and communion with the spiritual which built their manhood on immovable rocks of spiritual foundations.

Brethren, I invite you as I call upon myself tonight to look to the self for a moment, for after all perhaps the problem of all problems is myself. May I plead that in our zeal for building noble society and a nobler nation to remember our Masonic task of building manhood, and when we have found spiritual foundations and a technique to live by from worthy habits, we shall have built great pillars for a world brotherhood to raise itself.

May I close with that personal remark of Mark Twain's "let us endeavour so to live that when we come to die, even the undertaker will be sorry."

Second Day = = = *Morning Session*

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

Edmonton, June 12, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your committee has carefully reviewed the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters of the seventeen Masonic Districts and beg to submit for consideration the following:

We are impressed with the evident earnestness of each of the District Deputy Grand Masters in promoting the general welfare of the Craft within his District, and wish to congratulate all of them upon their efforts.

The past year, has, along with preceding ones, been such as to test the fidelity and courage of the brethren throughout the world. Perhaps we in Alberta have been more fortunate than in some other jurisdictions. Never-the-less our trials have been great and your committee cannot help but express admiration of and respect for the brethren of our lodges who have kept alight the Masonic flame.

Your committee again expresses the opinion that the work of our Committee on Masonic Research and Education is producing excellent results, increasingly so as time goes by and more and more brethren become interested. That committee should continue to receive the encouragement and support of Grand Lodge in the effort to give us an instructed membership, happy in their association with our Craft.

We would like to express our hearty appreciation of the untiring efforts of our M. W. Grand Master to strengthen the fraternal love of the institution by his many visits to individual lodges in various parts of the Province, in addition to the regular attendance at District Meetings.

The District Meetings seem generally to have received the attendance and support of the various lodge officers and continue to produce good results. We do, however, express the thought that there is room to make them more productive, and hope that they be not allowed to become too set in their programmes—perhaps more variety could be obtained to good advantage.

The interchange of fraternal visits between neighboring lodges is noticeably frequent and most highly to be commended. They broaden the outlook and strengthen the bonds of fraternity.

Altogether, the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters are most optimistic, but we note a tendency in many of them to emphasize

the best and ignore some features which, to your committee, are disquieting.

We note with pleasure that M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, K.C., has addressed large gatherings on numerous occasions in many of the Masonic Districts, on the subject of "The Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple of the United Grand Lodge of England," which took place in London in July, 1933, and at which M. W. Bro. Blackstock was our official representative. His address, illustrated with lantern slides, was very interesting as well as being most instructive to our brethren, who got a new vision of our Craft from Bro. Blackstock's brief association with the Mother Grand Lodge.

Our membership at December 31st, 1933, stands at 13,063, as compared with 13,607 one year previous. The net loss of 544 is largely made up of suspension for non-payment of dues. If these suspensions represent members who could pay their just debts and would not, who were members only and not Masons, and could not be reclaimed to the ideals of the Craft, then we worry not. On the other hand, if any one of them was a Freemason at heart and was forced out for no other reason than inability to pay dues, then there was a woeful lack of Masonic charity displayed and it is sincerely to be hoped that there was no such case.

It is noted from the records of Grand Lodge that at the end of 1933, lodges in this jurisdiction were carrying on their rolls 465 life members. Of these a very large proportion were issued for lodges whose By-laws provide for a free life membership upon completion of twenty or twenty-five years membership. Unless lodges have in years past set up a reserve sufficient to care for the expense involved in carrying brethren who do not pay dues, there is grave danger of the financial crippling of the lodges. Your committee earnestly submits that this matter should receive the prompt and effective consideration of lodges.

The committee has noted, from time to time, reports in the public press of private affairs of lodges, such as the Installations of Officers, etc. We feel that no real advantage accrues therefrom, perhaps even the reverse is true, and ask the approval of Grand Lodge to the discouragement of the practice.

The foregoing is a general review. We now beg to submit brief summary of the reports on the different Masonic Districts:

District No. 1.—16 lodges—largest number of lodges and members. Considerable activity in Educational work; 128 suspensions for N.P.D., 67 previous year; some quite substantial payments for benevolence; one lodge in difficulties shows considerable betterment; with two exceptions, financial condition of the lodges seems reasonably satisfactory. W. Bro. J. C. McDougall, District Secretary, warmly commended.

District No. 2.—8 lodges. Educational work taken care of; 10 suspensions for N.P.D., as compared with 14 the year before; generally the expenditures account benevolence were not large; the Medicine Hat lodges are to be congratulated upon the presentation of a Masonic play, "For the Honour of the Craft," a product of the pen of M. W. Bro. Reginald V. Harris of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia; one lodge is in danger of losing its Masonic Hall because of indebtedness, otherwise the financial matters of the lodges seem very fair. Services of V. W. Bro. H. Beeber, as District Secretary, appreciated.

District No. 3.—8 lodges. Educational work not particularly mentioned; suspensions for N.P.D. 53, as against 14 in previous year; a fair amount expended for benevolence; with one exception financial condition of lodges is good.

District No. 4.—11 lodges. No special mention of programme of Education; suspensions 20 as compared with 45 in preceding year; one or two lodges show substantial benevolent expenditures, the remainder reporting little or none; generally the financial affairs satisfactory, two lodges show heavy liabilities but in one case a reduction of \$1,000, which is very good. R. W. Bro. W. H. Jackson continued fine services as District Secretary, commended.

District No. 5.—12 lodges. Active support to the work of Education; suspensions 8 as compared with 40 in preceding year; no disbursements account relief; financial condition of lodges is reasonably good, except for two whose liabilities seem excessive. The efforts of V. W. Bro. J. T. Johnson as District Secretary appreciated.

District No. 6.—6 lodges. No mention of Educational work; suspensions 14, as compared with 16 last year; some benevolent expenditures, but not very heavy; two lodges show considerable amount of liabilities, otherwise financial condition of district is satisfactory. Appreciation of help of R. W. Bro. V. C. W. Stanley as District Secretary.

District No. 7.—10 lodges. D.D.G.M. does not particularly mention the work of an Educational nature, but we believe that this received due attention; suspensions 22 as against 16 in the previous year; several lodges show no expenditures for relief, two or three quite substantial amounts; financial resources seem quite good as a whole. Deep regret expressed in the death of Bro. T. H. Edmunds, who acted for a number of years as District Secretary. Special mention is made of the celebration of the 21st Anniversary of Charity Lodge, of which the Master is the son of M. W. Bro. Robert Patterson, Grand Master in 1912-13.

District No. 8.—7 lodges. Education not specifically mentioned; suspensions 17 as against 13 last year; very little expended in benevolence; one lodge has heavy liabilities, the others in very fair financial condition. Special mention is made of a fraternal visit of three of the lodges to Fernie Lodge in the jurisdiction of British Columbia, and is highly commended.

District No. 9.—9 lodges. No comment on Educational programme; 18 suspended for N.P.D. as compared with 10 in preceding year; expenditure on account of benevolence was quite small; one lodge has very excessive liabilities, the others are in good financial condition. Particular attention is drawn to the completion by Apollo Lodge, Stettler, of a new Masonic Temple, and with very small indebtedness against it.

District No. 10.—13 lodges. No comment on Educational programme; suspensions 64 as against 34 in preceding year; expenditures on benevolent account quite small; financial conditions evidently very good.

District No. 11.—7 lodges. Some effort seems to have been made to carry out the programme of Education; suspensions for N.P.D. were 17, against 1 the year before; benevolent funds expended were not very

great; financial conditions seem satisfactory. The District Secretary, Bro. G. A. Gow, receives commendation.

District No. 12.—13 lodges. Country lodges seem to experience some difficulty in the Educational programme, while City lodges manage quite well; suspensions 49 as against 47 the year before; quite substantial sums paid out in benevolence, although five lodges show no such experiences; quite a few show liabilities, but general financial situation is reasonably good. Close co-operation with D.D.G.M.'s of Districts 3 and 10 is noted, also the celebration of the 21st Anniversaries of Tawatinaw, No. 71, and Strathcona, No. 77.

District No. 13.—8 lodges. Activity in Education not indicated; suspensions 13 as against 8 in preceding year; a very small amount paid for relief; generally finances seem fairly good; one lodge reports no arrears of dues.

District No. 14.—7 lodges. Programme of Education receiving support; suspensions 23 as compared with 22 in preceding year; financial condition of lodges seems slightly better than a year ago, despite the particularly difficult times in the district; only one lodge shows any expenditure account relief. D.D.G.M. thanks R. W. Bro. J. G. Odell for his services as District Secretary.

District No. 15.—7 lodges. No particular mention of Educational programme; suspensions 12 as compared with 1 in previous year; only two lodges show any expenditures for benevolence and these are small amounts; three lodges show substantial liabilities, although less than last year and the assets of all considerably exceed their indebtedness. Fidelity Lodge, Bashaw, completed a new Masonic Hall and with only a modest debt against it. R. W. Bro. J. A. Marshall commended for excellent work as District Secretary.

District No. 16.—7 lodges. Educational work receiving good attention; suspensions 13 against 29 a year ago; two lodges report relief expenditures and both small amounts; four lodges report reasonable assets and no liabilities, two show substantial indebtedness against their Masonic Halls, but well reduced from a year ago, assets good. W. Bro. E. A. Wagler gave good service as District Secretary.

District No. 17.—8 lodges. Good work noted in Education; suspensions N.P.D. 8, as compared with 12 the year before; only three lodges report any benevolence expenditures and these not very high; five lodges report liabilities and financial standing not as satisfactory as a year ago. The support given the district by present and past Grand Officers residing in Edmonton is favorably noted. R. W. Bro. C. C. McKechnie's services as District Secretary much appreciated.

Your committee now feels it incumbent to make some comments upon the perennial question—"Arrears of Dues."

We feel that nothing will more quickly nor more completely demoralize a lodge than difficulties over financial matters, and we stress with all vigor the absolute need for business-like handling of this important feature. For years we have listened to and read of the steadily mounting arrears of dues, and it must not be supposed that the problem is a new one arising out of the years of depression. Nothing but too great complacency on the part of lodge officers could account for such a condition in former years, and we are now reaping the harvest of too much laxity in times of prosperity. Undoubtedly lack of interest

on the part of many brethren was responsible for their failure to discharge this obligation, when it was quite possible for them to do so.

Nothing will remedy the situation, except a combination of very real fraternal leadership and business management; leadership that does not overlook the individual need while at the same time it guards the rights of others; and management that will not permit that lack of interest, non-attendance and general apathy towards lodge activities that inevitably follow in the wake of arrears of dues.

We are emphatically of the opinion that the situation can be improved and quote some examples to prove it:

A lodge of 22--no arrears.

A lodge of 79--4 in arrears to amount of \$33.00.

A lodge of 57--4 in arrears to amount of \$32.00.

A lodge of over 200--10 in arrears to amount of \$90.00.

all of them including dues right up to the end of 1933.

The total amount of dues outstanding on the books of our lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction at the end of the year 1933 was \$75,865.35, a rather staggering sum, and 14.47% greater than in the preceding year.

To show the trend and to urge the application of some very real and constructive effort towards a remedy, the following figures as of December 31st, 1933, are submitted, and it is sincerely recommended that each and every lodge (except one) put itself to work.

Suspension is not the answer, in fact we hope that fraternal consideration and a desire within the different lodges to be helpful to those worthy brethren who would pay if they could, will smooth out a lot of difficulties. We feel that suspension is only to be used as a last resort with those who could pay, but through indifference will not do so. No doubt they are the ones who should never have been admitted to the Craft.

Dist.	Percentage of total member- ship in arrears	Total Arrears	Increase Over 1932	Average owing	
				Average Amount Owing	spread over whole Dist. Membership
No. 1 . . .	30.94 %	\$12,082.83	7.27 %	\$14.13	\$4.37
No. 2 . . .	23.45 %	2,971.25	23.72 %	16.74	3.91
No. 3 . . .	40.15 %	6,137.03	31.16 %	11.54	4.63
No. 4 . . .	38.10 %	5,995.54	23.77 %	18.62	7.09
No. 5 . . .	48.60 %	3,427.65	6.79 %	14.59	6.80
No. 6 . . .	50.50 %	4,643.80	43.47 %	15.90	8.05
No. 7 . . .	39.40 %	4,363.10	14.80 %	13.59	5.37
No. 8 . . .	35.00 %	3,122.75	5.11 %	21.10	7.38
No. 9 . . .	43.60 %	3,899.15	32.54 %	17.72	7.72
No. 10 . . .	43.50 %	6,127.40	3.25 %	14.12	6.14
No. 11 . . .	46.99 %	3,938.00	15.02 %	24.01	11.28
No. 12 . . .	43.85 %	7,690.59	24.68 %	13.66	5.99
No. 13 . . .	43.00 %	2,798.81	5.19 %	16.46	7.07
No. 14 . . .	42.95 %	2,037.35	8.45 %	13.27	5.99
No. 15 . . .	34.30 %	2,471.50	29.30 %	18.87	6.47
No. 16 . . .	35.20 %	2,140.60	32.03 %	14.62	5.20
No. 17 . . .	37.80 %	2,018.00	23.63 %	16.28	6.15
Totals . . .	38.10 %	\$75,865.35	14.47 %	\$15.24	\$5.80

The District Deputy Grand Masters, having faithfully discharged their duties during their year of office, we recommend that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on the following:

Frank V. Truesdale (124)	Archibald B. McCurdy (117)
James R. Donaldson (55)	Lines E. Atkinson (136)
Archibald West (7)	Joseph Madill (142)
William J. Kirby (151)	James L. Paul (89)
Frank P. Layton (37)	Charles L. Dunford (104)
Alfred E. Ardiel (22)	Harry Ford (76)
Anderson C. Lakie (67)	Howard B. Grant (152)
Albert F. Short (30)	Oscar Hawthorn (97)
Roy A. Everett (122)	

Fraternally submitted,

V. A. BOWES,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. O. Hawthorn (97), seconded by R. W. Bro. F. P. Layton (37), "That the report of the Committee of the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Edmonton, June 14, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.F.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address report as follows:

It is worthy of particular notice that the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary attended all of the seventeen District Meetings and that they were accompanied to all these meetings, with two exceptions, by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, Custodian of the Work, and it is gratifying to know that all of the meetings were well attended and there was exhibited a keen interest in Masonry.

Especially are we pleased to see that wherever and whenever possible the M. W. the Grand Master visited the small lodges at various country points. We believe such visits to be of the greatest benefit to promoting interest in Masonry throughout the jurisdiction.

We draw to the attention of the brethren the fraternal visits made the M. W. the Grand Master to important meetings outside the Province, both in Canada and the United States. Such visits will undoubtedly have the effect of strengthening over a wide area that feeling of fraternity which is one of the main purposes of all Masonry. The time and energy devoted by the Grand Master to these travels in the interests of the Craft call for our warmest thanks.

Your committee approves of the recommendation as to the use of initiation fees and as to the proper method of balancing lodge budgets.

Your committee commends the approval of the M. W. the Grand Master of the attendance by several lodges on Divine Service without regalia.

Your committee approves of the action of the Grand Master in reference to Bowden Lodge and endorses his recommendation that the lodge's charter be restored and that the suspension of the brethren of that lodge be removed by this Grand Lodge.

The rulings and decisions of the M. W. the Grand Master meet with the approval of your committee.

It is apparent that matters that are provided for in the constitution are still referred to the Grand Master. This custom, which springs largely from carelessness, should not continue.

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. BISHOP,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), seconded by M. W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Master's Address be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your committee has carefully studied the report of the Grand Secretary and notes with pleasure that the work of his office is being carried on with the usual efficiency.

We are pleased to find that there is apparent increasing efficiency in the work of the Secretaries of lodges as disclosed in their relations and transactions with the office of the Grand Secretary. We concur in the suggestion of the Grand Secretary that wherever possible statistical reports and correspondence should be made in typewritten form as being conducive to reducing possible mistakes to a minimum.

We concur with the recommendation of the Grand Secretary with reference to greater accuracy and care in the preparation of Amendments to By-laws by the various lodges and endorse the suggestion that Grand Lodge authorize a form for Amendments to By-laws for use by the lodges. We approve the suggestion that each and every lodge file in the year 1934 a copy of their By-laws in the office of the Grand Secretary.

In the matter of life membership certificates we would urge upon the executive officers of the lodges that they make definite and certain the material data necessary in their applications to Grand Lodge.

May we suggest to the Masters and Secretaries that they can in no small measure relieve the office of the Grand Secretary of unnecessary labor and routine by more careful and detailed presentation of the facts and information material to the application presented.

We note with gratification that our Grand Secretary is alert to avail himself of contacts with Grand Secretaries of other jurisdictions and we believe these personal contacts are very helpful to the office of the Grand Secretary as well as binding closer the fraternal ties between the Grand Jurisdictions represented. We have every reason to feel satisfied with the communications between this and other Grand Jurisdictions on either financial or informal matters as being conducted by our Grand Secretary in accordance with the best Masonic traditions.

The Chairman of this committee takes pleasure in associating himself with the Grand Secretary in the appreciative remarks in his report referring to the visits of R. W. Bro. Stewart, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Victoria and of M. W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, as having been privileged to be among those who met these distinguished brethren on the occasions referred to.

We regret to note a substantial decrease in membership as at the 31st of December, 1933. It is interesting to observe that the suspension in non-payment of dues considerably exceeds the total increase in membership during the year covered by the report. The same observation is apparent in the decrease in membership through voluntary action or the involuntary passing of our brethren. No responsibility of course rests on the Grand Secretary in these matters other than to report the same, but we trust that conditions will soon become favorable to the Craft at least holding its ground in the matter of membership. We do not believe that this reported decrease of membership should cause us any alarm as it is the natural consequence of general conditions beyond the control of the Craft or its members excepting insofar as perhaps a certain number of these losses might be attributed to a lack of interest in the Craft. Insofar as this be a factor it is much to be regretted that such a condition exists, and it is hoped that the continued activities of our lodges under the guidance and direction of Grand Lodge toward stimulating increased interest on the part of individual members of lodges will be fruitful in correcting this situation.

In conclusion, we desire to congratulate the Grand Secretary on another year of successful and enjoyable labor in the interest of Masonry in this Province.

Fraternally submitted,

F. S. SELWOOD,

G. E. CRUICKSHANK,

A. M. MITCHELL,
Committee.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), seconded by W. Bro. H. J. Adames (78), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Edmonton, June 15, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your committee takes pleasure in reporting that although general financial conditions in our jurisdiction have not improved during the past year, and in some districts have become very acute, yet the finances of Grand Lodge, as shown by the statements submitted herewith, continue to be in very satisfactory condition.

The books and accounts of Grand Lodge have been regularly audited for the twelve months ended January 31st, 1934, by the Grand Lodge Auditor, whose report will be presented at this communication.

Regular monthly meetings and several special meetings of your committee were held throughout the year, at which all matters under their jurisdiction had careful consideration. Every effort was made to keep expenses as low as possible and all payments were carefully reviewed before being authorized. We submit for your consideration the following Financial Statements, printed copies of which have been distributed to you:

Balance Sheet as at January 31, 1934.
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for twelve months
ended January 31, 1934, of the:
General Fund,
Relief Fund,
Capital Benevolent Fund.

Balance Sheet: The Balance Sheet shows the financial position of Grand Lodge to be excellent. 96.89% of our assets are in liquid form, 6.56% being in cash and 90.33% in Bonds of the Dominion of Canada, Province of Alberta, and the Cities of Calgary and Edmonton. Total assets amount to \$214,467.42. There are no liabilities to the public.

Assets—Cash in Bank, \$12,217.96: Any surplus cash in the several accounts is from time to time invested in Dominion Government Bonds. Since the date of the Balance Sheet, January 31, 1934, the sum of \$6,500.00 has been so invested—\$1,500.00 for the Benevolent Capital Fund and \$5,000.00 for the Relief Fund.

Balance Due from Lodges, \$1,051.40: This item shows an increase of \$117.85 over the amount due as at January 31, 1933. It is made up of sixty-seven balances, of which one is \$354.65, one \$98.50, one \$87.55 (of which \$50.00 has since been paid), one \$77.40, one \$50.75, seventeen less than \$1.00, twenty-five between one and five dollars, eleven between five and ten dollars and nine between ten and fifty dollars. The large outstanding balance of \$354.65 is having the attention of your committee and it is expected that a satisfactory reduction will be made during the coming year and that it will ultimately be paid.

The total payments received from lodges during the year amounted to \$19,327.31, as compared with \$25,595.56 for the previous year. The sum of \$5,752.25 is, however, accounted for by the remission to the lodges for the past year of fifty cents per capita for the Capital Benevolent Fund. Taking this into consideration, receipts from lodges are

only \$516.00 less than they were during the previous year, which should be considered satisfactory under existing conditions.

Books, Stationery and Supplies, \$3,022.62. The inventory shows a reduction of \$649.89 compared with the previous year. The sum of \$366.27 or one-third of the value of Constitutions on hand, has again been written off the value of this asset, in accordance with instructions of Grand Lodge that in anticipation of the issue of a new Constitution and those at present on hand becoming obsolete, one-third of the value of Constitutions on hand be written off each year for three years.

Profits for the year from the sale of books, stationery and supplies amounted to \$245.96 and profit from the sale of regalia \$31.00.

Office Supplies on Hand, \$332.38, consist of books, forms and stationery for general use of Grand Lodge.

Furniture and Fixtures, \$2,340.50: This item shows a decrease of \$159.50. Furniture to the value of \$90.50 was purchased and \$250.00 was written off for depreciation.

Regalia, \$903.00: Pursuant to resolution of Grand Lodge regarding the replacement of worn-out regalia, four new sets were purchased during the year, namely, Junior and Senior Grand Wardens and District Deputy Grand Masters for Districts Nos. 1 and 2, at a cost of \$273.00. \$70.00 was written off for depreciation.

Investments, \$191,728.20: These investments are shown on the Balance Sheet at cost, and have increased \$7,549.28 during the year. They are made up of Dominion of Canada Bonds, \$20,700.00; Province of Alberta Bonds, \$120,986.66; City of Calgary Bonds, \$40,000.00, and City of Edmonton, \$19,000.00, a total par value of \$200,686.66. The market value as at May 31st, 1934, was \$187,767.14. A detailed list of maturities, etc., is included in the Grand Treasurer's Report.

The interest return on our investments for the past year was 5.4%. Regularly every three months the securities of Grand Lodge have been checked by the Chairman and two members of the Finance Committee in the presence of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary. A report and certificate of such inspection, signed by these officers and members of the committee is presented to the next following meeting of the Finance Committee, and a certificate, similarly signed is sent to the M. W. the Grand Master and President of the Board of General Purposes. All Bonds are registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M., as to Principal and \$16,500.00 Dominion of Canada Bonds registered as to Principal and Interest.

During the year your committee exchanged \$55,000.00 of Bonds of the Province of Alberta and the City of Calgary for those of longer terms. This exchange increased the par value \$1,153.00, interest \$90.00 per annum, which over the life of the Bonds exchanged would amount to \$1,615.00, and \$813.70 was received in cash, which was reinvested in Bonds of the Dominion of Canada. In all cases the Bonds were exchanged for those of like security.

Accrued Interest, \$2,002.79: This item is represented by Coupons which have since matured and been paid.

Trust Funds, \$868.57: Walton Trust Fund, \$285.00 is the balance of a donation of \$300.00 sent to the R. W. Grand Secretary by the United Grand Lodge of England, to be paid out as required to the wife of a brother of their Grand Jurisdiction. This amount was deposited

in a special Trust Account, in the name of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M., Walton Trust Fund, and is being disbursed by the R. W. Grand Secretary as required.

Canada Lodge Hospital Fund, \$583.57: Pursuant to a resolution passed at the 1st Annual Communication, this amount was transferred from the Benevolent Savings Account and deposited in a special savings account until this communication, when final disposition will be made. In accordance with this resolution the R. W. Grand Secretary circularized each lodge which had donated to the Fund, asking for instructions regarding the disposition of their proportion of the refund of \$583.57. Replies have been received as follows:

From 16 lodges; instructing that their proportion of the refund be transferred to the Benevolent Capital Fund..	\$120.13
From 1 Lodge; that their proportion be transferred to the Relief Fund.....	2.29
From 1 lodge; that their proportion be transferred to the Relief Fund on account of a beneficiary named.....	10.04
From 7 lodges; that their proportion be credited to the respective lodges in their accounts with Grand Lodge..	98.98
From 23 lodges; requesting that the proportion be returned to them in cash..	279.71
From 5 lodges; no reply.....	58.32
One lodge under suspension and not notified.....	3.24
One lodge whose charter was surrendered.....	3.56
One private contribution, left with Grand Lodge to decide.	6.10
	\$582.35

Your committee recommend that the several requests of the contributing lodges be complied with; that the proportion of the private contribution, \$6.10, and the proportion due a lodge whose charter was surrendered, \$3.56, be transferred to the Benevolent Capital Fund and the refund due a lodge under suspension be credited to that lodge on the books of Grand Lodge. Also, as the five lodges who have not yet replied have all been written to twice, that the amount of their refund be also transferred to the Benevolent Capital Fund, if not heard from before distribution.

Liabilities—Unexpired Proportion of Life Membership, \$778.35: During the year 58 new Life Memberships were issued. The amount reserved for the unexpired portion of the 465 Life Memberships now outstanding is only \$778.35; a sum entirely inadequate. We therefore recommend that a special committee be appointed at this communication to fully investigate Life Membership and to file a report with the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution in ample time to give Notice of Motion, if such is deemed necessary, for the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. It is our opinion that some lodges are granting too many Life Memberships without giving proper consideration to the effect that this will have on the finances of their own lodges as well as those of Grand Lodge. In one lodge with a membership of 263 there are 51 Life Members, or one in every 5.23. In another with a membership of 243 there are 48 Life Members, or one in every 5.6. A third with a membership of 158 has 44 Life Members, or one in every 3.59. In view of this somewhat startling situation, we would strongly urge upon the lodges careful consideration before granting Life Memberships.

Balances Due to Lodges, \$87.35: This is made up of 46 small current balances. This item is \$127.09 less than the amount shown on the previous Balance Sheet.

Surplus Account, \$9,438.43, shows a reduction of \$111.36. Added to the balance as at February 1, 1933, are the amounts \$43.03, being excess of income over expenditure for the year, \$211.87, being the balance standing at the credit of Suffield Lodge, whose charter was surrendered some years ago and which, under instructions from Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication was transferred to Surplus Account. The sum of \$366.26 was deducted from Surplus Account in accordance with instructions of Grand Lodge, being one-third of the cost of Constitutions on hand.

Benevolent Fund Capital Account, \$188,193.89: This account shows a reduction of \$3,185.93. Additions during the year were:

Interest on Savings.....	\$ 21.71
Grand Lodge Dues.....	707.00
Proportion of Affiliation Fees	228.00
	\$ 956.71

Deductions were:

Refund from Canada Lodge, London, England, credited to Benevolent Fund in 1933 and transferred to Special Account on resolution of Grand Lodge.....	\$ 583.57
Expense of registering all Bonds in the name of Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.	102.61
Adjustment of interest re Bonds exchanged, but recovered in coupons when cashed, and to be refunded from Relief Fund.....	427.94
The difference between the original cost of Bonds exchanged and price realized at date of exchange, all Bonds being carried on the books at cost. To offset this difference, however, the exchange mentioned gave a profit of \$3,581.70, the details of which appear under Investments.	
	3,028.52
	4,142.64
	\$3,185.93

It will be noted that the per capita of fifty cents per member, payable to Benevolent Capital Fund, was suspended during the past year and that the amount collected from lodges—\$707.00, represented dues unpaid prior to 1933.

Relief Fund, \$15,100.83: Net additions to this fund amounted to \$5,381.20, leaving a balance of \$15,100.83.

Revenue and Expenditure, General Fund: There was an Operating Surplus for the year of \$43.03, as compared with \$1,092.92, for the previous year. The smallness of the surplus is due largely to Special Grants of \$1,100.00.

Revenue, General Fund: Total general revenues amounted to \$12,096.78, an increase of \$283.09 over the previous year. Membership fees increased \$100.00, although there was a reduction, in membership of 554. The explanation is that last year Grand Lodge remitted \$409.45 in per capita dues for members whose dues were remitted by their

lodges. This was discontinued this year. Other items of revenue show a decrease of \$178.00. Supplies and Regalia sold shows an increase of \$360.25.

Expenditure, General Fund: Expenditure shows an increase of \$1,203.06. Of this increase Office Expenses are \$48.35 more than the previous year and General Expenses \$1,154.71. The large item of increase in General Expenses is the increase of \$990.00 in special grants. Depreciation was \$14.80 less than the previous year.

Revenue, Benevolent Fund: The only revenue accruing to this fund during the past year was \$21.71, interest on Savings Account; \$707.00 Grand Lodge dues, payable prior to February 1, 1933, and \$228.00, proportion of affiliation fees. The per capita of fifty cents for this fund was suspended for the year 1933.

Revenue, Relief Fund: Total revenue amounted to \$16,706.80, as compared with \$16,817.56 for the previous year, being a reduction of \$110.76. Expenditures amounted to \$11,325.60, as compared with \$13,087.58 for the previous year, a reduction of \$1,761.98. There remains a surplus of \$15,100.83 in this fund and as the payment of the per capita of 50 cents for the Benevolent Capital Fund was suspended during the past year and there is notice of motion for the continuing of this suspension for the current year, and as there is sufficient revenue for the requirement of the Relief Fund, we recommend that \$7,500.00 be transferred to Benevolent Capital Fund. (Note, this recommendation rejected.)

At the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge a recommendation was made by the Finance Committee that the premium of \$818.29 collected on U.S. payment of interest coupons of the Province of Alberta and the Cities of Calgary and Edmonton, be refunded to the Province and those Cities, less what might be decided to have been the additional price paid on account of such Bonds being payable in U.S. Funds. On further investigation, however, your committee found that the increased cost of the Bonds payable in U.S. funds was considerably more than the amount of the premium received and as the payment of a large premium was only temporary, it was decided not to make any refunds. Your approval of our action in this matter is hereby requested.

During the year your committee replaced four sets of Grand Lodge Regalia, in accordance with the recommendation approved at the last communication of Grand Lodge. We recommend that the authority given to your committee in the matter be continued for another year.

Tenders for the printing of the Annual Proceedings were requested from Printers in Calgary and Edmonton. The most favorable was received from the Albertan Job Press, Calgary, to whom your committee have awarded the contract.

We recommend that R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland be appointed Auditor for the current year and that he be paid the sum of \$300.00 for his services during the past year.

We recommend that R. W. Bro. Percy Fielding, Grand Tyler, be paid \$20.00 and travelling expenses for his services at this communication of Grand Lodge.

At the last Annual Communication an appropriation of \$200.00 was granted to the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

\$54.98 of this appropriation was spent, and as the appropriation has now expired we recommend that a new appropriation for the coming year of \$200.00 be granted.

An appropriation of \$50.00 was granted for the Grand Lodge Library at Calgary, of which nothing has been expended. We recommend that this appropriation of \$50.00 be renewed for the current year.

Pursuant to authority given by Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, the Finance Committee borrowed from the Relief Fund the sum of \$1,500.00 for the purpose of the General Fund, and repaid the amount. We recommend, in view of the uncertainty of conditions, that authority be given to the Finance Committee to borrow, if required, up to \$2,000.00 from the Relief Fund for the purpose of the General Fund.

The Committee on Benevolence of Grand Lodge referred a case concerning an aged widow, whose Masonic connection was outside this jurisdiction, to the attention of the Committee on Finance, stating that this was a very worthy case.

It appeared that this widow is residing near Hughenden, Alberta, and she is desirous of returning to her home, which is in England. It was stated that the members of Efficiency Lodge No. 141 are willing to assist, as are the relations on whom she is dependent here, and the lodge requested our Benevolent Committee to make up the balance of her fare. The matter being outside the jurisdiction of the Benevolent Committee has been referred to the Finance Committee, and this committee recommend to Grand Lodge that a grant of \$50.00 be made to Efficiency Lodge from the General Fund of Grand Lodge, for the assistance of this widow, in accordance with their request.

We recommend that an appropriation of \$175.00 be made for the purpose of extending the shelving for library purposes in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER,
Chairman.

This report was considered clause by clause, and it was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), "That the Report of the Committee on Finance be received and adopted, with the exception of the recommendation that the sum of \$7,500.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Benevolent Capital Fund."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Calgary, June 13, 1934:

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

On resuming our work after the last communication of Grand Lodge, held in June, 1933, your Committee on Masonic Research and Education advised all the lodges that the programme for study for the months August to December inclusive, had been printed in the Pro-

ceedings, and requested a report on forms attached as to how the lodge had responded to it. Returns showed that while a few lodges had completed the studies in the second degree as outlined by your committee, the large majority had not exhausted the programme, and some had not even started it. Your committee therefore developed a supplementary programme for those lodges that had finished the studies so that the whole jurisdiction might continue for the season in the study of this almost neglected degree of the Fellowcraft.

The work of your committee is not easy. Indeed sometimes it is not even appreciated, but that attitude happily is rare. We do not dictate to the lodges. We do our work with but one aim, namely to raise the standard of Masonry in this jurisdiction by the only method of which we have any knowledge, and that is by a carefully planned programme of educational endeavour. It is especially gratifying, therefore, when we receive responses such as that from Carbon Lodge No. 107, whose Committee of Education submitted the following report to their Worshipful Master:

"In arranging a programme of Masonic addresses we followed closely the suggested subjects of the Grand Lodge Committee, as we realized that their programme was a progressive one, and would give an analysis of the symbolism of the first and second degrees, and would therefore be more helpful to our younger members than any other programme we could suggest. The lectures were limited to fifteen minutes each, and the subjects dealt with were as follows: (Then follows the list of the subjects suggested, and the names of the speakers).

"Your committee have pleasure in reporting that a great deal of interest in Masonic subjects has been aroused in this lodge as a result of these lectures. The attendance at lodge meetings during the past year also shows a marked improvement.

"We regret to note that there is yet a certain amount of hesitation among the brethren in joining in the discussion that should follow these lectures.

"We therefore beg to make the following recommendations for the coming year:

(1) That a leader of debate be appointed for each meeting, to encourage discussion of the subject of the lecture.

(2) That the subject for the lecture for the following meeting should be announced at each lodge meeting, so that all members may be given an opportunity to acquire some advance knowledge of the subject.

(3) That lectures be entrusted to as many of the younger brethren as possible, to encourage them to take an interest in research work.

(4) That we purchase more books for our lodge library, and that members of the lodge who have Masonic books of their own be urged to lend these to the brethren who are to prepare addresses."

It should be borne in mind that the educational activities of the lodges are not adequately or even accurately reflected in the question form returned by them to your committee. The lodge notices display the fact that a wide variety of interesting, and for the most part Masonic topics are increasingly engaging the attention of our lodges, and this is certainly commendable. We feel that while these all have value, a

progressive study as outlined by your committee is of far greater value, from both the standpoint of education and the development of the individual members participating. We have abundant proof of the latter.

The Chairman of your committee is therefore somewhat disappointed in the general response this season. It is but right to intimate that the other members of your committee are more gratified. Returns show that of the sixty-six lodges that mailed returns to your committee about one-third followed the programme suggested.

The committee appreciates the courtesy of the officers of the following lodges from whom returns have been received, as at May 15th:

District No. 1.

Bow River, No. 1, Calgary; Ashlar, No. 28, Calgary; Gleichen, No. 36, Gleichen; Mount Lebanon, No. 54, Calgary; King George, No. 59, Calgary; Zetland, No. 83, Calgary; Concord, No. 124, Calgary; Renfrew, No. 134, Calgary; Perfection, No. 9, Calgary, Cascade, No. 5, Banff; Calgary, No. 23, Calgary.

District No. 2.

Medicine Hat, No. 2, Medicine Hat; Bassano, No. 55, Bassano; Mizpah, No. 35, Medicine Hat; Bow Island, No. 64, Bow Island; Quarry, No. 70, Redcliff.

District No. 3.

Star of the West, No. 34, Leduc; Unity, No. 51, Edmonton; Edson, No. 68, Edson; Commercial, No. 81, Edmonton; Waskatenau, No. 154, Waskatenau.

District No. 4.

Britannia, No. 18, Ponoka; Carstairs, No. 20, Carstairs; Kenilworth, No. 29, Red Deer; Lochearn, No. 151, Rocky Mountain House.

District No. 5.

Camrose, No. 37, Camrose; Excelsior, No. 80, Strome; Alliance, No. 135, Alliance; Melrose, No. 139, Daysland.

District No. 6.

Stavely, No. 33, Stavely; Cornerstone, No. 19, High River.

District No. 7.

Charity, No. 67, Lethbridge; Sharon, No. 157, Iron Springs.

District No. 8.

Chief Mountain, No. 58, Cardston; Rocky Mountain, No. 86, Blairmore.

District, No. 9.

Beaver, No. 56, Castor; Donalda, No. 150, Donalda.

District No. 10.

Vermilion, No. 24, Vermilion; Acadia, No. 11, Edmonton; Empire, No. 63, Edmonton; Lamont, No. 94, Lamont; St. Alban's, No. 145, St. Paul.

District No. 11.

Robert Burns, No. 49, Carmangay; Nobleford, No. 111, Nobleford.

District No. 12.

Strathcona, No. 77, Edmonton; Saskatchewan, No. 92, Edmonton; West Edmonton, No. 101, Edmonton; Onoway, No. 138, Onoway; Ivanhoe, No. 142, Edmonton; Mayerthorpe, No. 148, Mayerthorpe.

District No. 13.

Peace River, No. 89, Peace River; Sexsmith, No. 160, Sexsmith.

District No. 14.

Crocus, No. 115, Chinook; Craigmyle, No. 132, Craigmyle.

District No. 15.

Fidelity, No. 76, Bashaw; Ancient Landmark, No. 109, Mirror; Irricana, No. 137, Irricana.

District No. 16.

Symbol, No. 93, Drumheller; Carbon, No. 107, Carbon; Rosebud, No. 149, Rosebud; Standard, No. 152, Standard.

District No. 17.

Connaught, No. 69, Viking; Albion, No. 97, Chauvin; Edgerton, No. 102, Edgerton; Victory, No. 112, Jarrow; Westlock, No. 114, Westlock.

While each succeeding Grand Master has appreciated the potential benefits of the work of this committee, we have no evidence that many of the District Deputies are alive to the necessity of a Masonically educated membership, and suggest that the incoming Grand Master definitely instruct his deputies as to his wishes in this regard.

We would stress most earnestly this fact, that degree work should not exclude the education of lodge members, especially the newly made Mason. Knowledge is more important than numbers, particularly in Masonic lodges. We believe the District Deputy Grand Masters can exert a very helpful influence in this work of Masonic Education and your committee hopes that they may be more and more inspired to utilize their opportunities to advance this work.

Former programs have outlined studies in the first and second degrees. We now submit the outline of a study of the third degree for the months of September to March (1935) inclusive. This programme has already been sent to the Secretary of each lodge in the jurisdiction and will be printed in this year's Proceedings. We hope a much larger number of lodges will follow the course. We would urge each lodge that has not already done so, except in the cities where collective libraries have been formed, to make an effort to gather as many books as possible to circulate among their own members and to appoint a librarian to organize this activity properly. We commend our brethren in Edmonton, under the Chairmanship of R. W. Bro. Downey, for their initiative in this regard and for the splendid results so far achieved. The Edmonton branch of the Grand Lodge Library is fast becoming a source of knowledge and real benefit to the Masonic student.

The following is the report of the Edmonton branch of your committee, and was prepared for inclusion in this report by R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey:

"At the last communication of Grand Lodge, a sum was voted for book cases to be placed in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton,

This work completed, the cases were placed in the said building early in the fall of 1933. This furniture is a credit to this Grand Body, as well as to the workmen. The Office Specialty also donated to Grand Lodge a beautiful oak table and eight chairs, for which your committee is grateful.

"We arranged to have shipped to Edmonton from Calgary, a case of books containing the following:

- 3 Bound Vols. Proceedings Grand Lodge of Alberta, 1905-13, 1914-18, 1919-23.
- 9 Bound Vols. Alberta, 1924-27, 1929, 1931-33.
- 2 Paper Bound Vols. Alberta, 1928, 1930.
- 1 Set of 1932 Proceedings of the Canadian Grand Lodges except Ontario.
- 2 Proceedings Canada, 1930, 1931.
- 9 Proceedings, Australia, New Zealand (2), Tasmania (2), Western Australia, Queensland, New South Wales
- 1 Set, British Masonic Miscellany (20 Vols.)
- 1 Vol. Freemasonry and the Ancient Gods (Ward).
- 1 Vol. Signs and Symbols of Primordial Man (Churchward).

"In acknowledging the co-operation of the City of Edmonton lodges one cannot say too much. Most of the lodges have not only placed their books in the Edmonton branch of the Grand Lodge Library; but a brother from some one of the lodges was on duty in the library each evening except Saturday and Sunday, throughout the winter.

"The Edmonton Library is well supplied with Histories on Freemasonry, but is badly in need of more extensive reading material in the form of smaller volumes which may be loaned out to the individual.

"Not only is this library filling a long felt want of the Edmonton lodges, but members of lodges from the northern part of the province have found a place to read and study while in the city.

"In recommending a further purchase of books, your committee suggests that half of those purchased this coming year be placed on the shelves of the Northern Section of the Grand Lodge Library."

Your committee consider that every lodge should make a study of at least three portions of our printed Annual Proceedings; first the Grand Master's Address, second, the Report of this Committee and third the Review of the Annual Proceedings of other Jurisdictions. In so doing the brethren will become informed on the progress and condition of the Craft both at home and abroad. We urge upon the Masters of lodges to give this partial study of our Proceedings a definite place in the programme of the lodges' activities. Such a course would, in a few years, develop a sound and intelligent interest in Masonic matters among large numbers of the brethren and indirectly greatly strengthen the work of this committee.

Your Committee has considered the report of the Grand Librarian referred to us by Grand Lodge, and are gratified to learn that such a large proportion of the lodges have acquired for their lodge the British Masonic Miscellany and would urge the other lodges in the jurisdiction to follow this example.

In view of the organization of the Edmonton branch of the Grand Lodge Library, your committee would recommend to the Librarian the expenditure of at least a substantial portion of any appropriation

Grand Lodge may make for library purposes, and if possible, added encouragement be given to the lodges to use the circulating library of Grand Lodge more extensively.

At the last communication of Grand Lodge your committee was granted an appropriation of \$200.00 for its work. About \$35.00 of this was used in the purchase of books. We recommend that Grand Lodge make available to this committee the same amount as granted last year.

The Chairman of your committee has had the pleasure of seeing this educational work initiated and develop, until it is now a real factor in our Masonic life. He wishes to express deep appreciation of the Calgary brethren who have worked so faithfully as members of this committee, particularly M. W. Bro. Selwood, R. W. Bro. Bowes, R. W. Bro. Truesdale, R. W. Bro. Macaulay, R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore, V. W. Bro. Ellis and the Grand Secretary. Their counsel and practical help, always so freely given, have made possible any success that has been achieved.

The success or failure of your committee's work must be determined by, and in, the individual lodges of this jurisdiction. If we have influenced any number of our brethren to the study of the history and symbolism of our Craft, and awakened a desire for further knowledge which they are gratifying by their own reading and research, then we have accomplished our purpose. We believe we have done this, and that in practically every district of this jurisdiction we have discovered Masonic students. We urge them to continue their studies and not to be content to accept what has been prepared for them by others. Only the seeking student, experiences the joy of accomplishment, and to this we invite more and more of our brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

H. R. CHAUNCEY,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (77), "That the report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education be received and adopted."

PROGRAMME OF STUDY

September 1934 to March 1935

THE THIRD DEGREE

THE HIRAMIC LEGEND.

- (a) Its sources.
- (b) Its symbolism.

The Three-fold Demand:

- (1) First motive, Ignorance—the jealousy of the mentally inferior.
- (2) Second motive, Envy—coveting money or power.
- (3) Third motive, Intolerance—disrespect for constituted authority.

THE TEMPLE—KING SOLOMON'S AT JERUSALEM.

- (a) Historical. Give an accurate description of it and its general history.
- (b) Symbolical. The Temple symbolizing the individual—the three assaults at the three gates:
 - 1. The South gate—the physical.
 - 2. The West gate—the mental.
 - 3. The East gate—the spiritual.

THE LIGHT OF A MASTER MASON'S LODGE.

- (A) 1. Darkness visible.
- 2. The bright morning star.
- 3. The immortal spark residing. . . .

Symbolizing.

- (B) 1. Death 2. Resurrection. 3. Immortality.
 - (C) Discuss Ward's statement—"While Osiris became immortal, we raise a corpse and place it on it feet. . . . no hint of soul."
- The third degree presentation avoids all dogmatic theories; it teaches a faith instead of a fact.

THE PLACE OF LEISURE.

Our G. M. had retired. . . . *his wonted custom.*

- 1. Prayer. 2. Contemplation.
- For three centuries man has striven for "leisure". What are we doing with it? Is it a curse? The craving for constant entertainment and amusement. Increasing rate of suicide. Lack of poise, introspection, quiet hours of study.

THE FIVE POINTS OF FELLOWSHIP.**"A RETROSPECT OF THE DEGREES THROUGH WHICH YOU HAVE ALREADY PASSED."**

Some lessons from the first, second and third.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Edmonton, June 13, 1934.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence is pleased to report that the fraternal relations between this and other Grand Jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal correspondence continue to be of the most friendly and cordial character. This committee is pleased to join with the Grand Secretary in the expressions of appreciation appearing in his annual report just presented to this Grand Lodge acknowledging the many courtesies and kindnesses extended to this Grand Jurisdiction.

With reference to the requests for fraternal recognition from the Grand Lodge of Spain, the Grand Orient D'Italia located in the City of London, England, the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and the

Grand Lodge of Guatemala, Central America, your Committee reports that the situation remains unchanged from last year's report. Regarding the request for recognition from the Grand Lodges of the States of (1) Amazons and Acre (2) Bahia (3) Ceara (4) Para and (5) Parahyba five Jurisdictions located in Brazil your committee is of opinion that the conditions existing in Brazilian Masonry have not become sufficiently settled and permanent to warrant definite and formal recognition by this Grand Lodge at this time to these Brazilian Jurisdictions.

Your committee has read with very great interest a lengthy and informative memorandum covering the recent history of Craft Masonry in Brazil and is inclined to the view that the Grand Lodges in Brazil holding jurisdiction for Craft Masonry are establishing themselves in a manner which will commend them to the sympathetic consideration of the regular Grand Lodges throughout the world. They are apparently endeavoring to establish their respective Grand Lodges according to sound Masonic law and usage, are adopting as the guiding principles of their Masonic philosophy and practice the time honored fundamentals of Anglo Saxon Masonry and it would seem that in the near future the great and growing country of Brazil, which has a population of about forty millions and consists of some twenty states analogous to the States of the United States of America or the Provinces of Canada, will attain a position in Craft Masonry similar to that obtained in the United States, Canada and Australia. However the progress being made toward this end has been accompanied by a very considerable dissension among the various Masonic bodies in that country and it is our opinion that some years may elapse before the status of Craft Masonry shall have become sufficiently clarified and established to warrant definite formal recognition by this Grand Lodge. At the same time we desire to express our earnest sympathy with those elements of Craft Masonry in Brazil who are seeking to found and establish a new order in Masonry along the time honored model of Anglo Saxon Masonry. For the time being therefore we recommend that formal recognition be withheld to all Brazilian Grand Jurisdictions.

Purely as a matter of information we have to report that your Committee has received communications from the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Columbia, with its See in Bogota, and a voluminous manifesto giving the full details of a recent schism in that Grand Body. As we have not fraternally recognized this Grand Lodge no particular comment is necessary on this situation.

Your committee has received a formal application for recognition from the Grand Lodge "Lessing of the Three Rings" (hereinafter described Grand Lodge "Lessing") located in the Republic of Czechoslovakia with headquarters at the City of Prague, Capital of that country. This is the second Grand Lodge in this Republic to seek recognition from this Grand Jurisdiction. In 1931 recognition was granted by this Grand Lodge to the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia which is the younger of these two Grand Bodies. The membership of the Craft governed by the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia is chiefly Czech in nationality. The membership of the Lodges constituting the Grand Lodge "Lessing" is chiefly German with a smaller proportion of Hungarian nationality. Grand Lodge "Lessing" was founded on the 23rd of October, 1920, and has received the recognition of all three Grand Lodges in the British Isles, the Grand Lodges of the Netherlands and Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland, many of the leading Jurisdictions in the United States and the Grand Lodge of Canada in this country. In principles, policy and practice this Grand

Lodge is in accord with the Grand Lodges which have extended recognition to it and meet the requirements of this Grand Lodge for Fraternal recognition. Your committee is therefore pleased to recommend formal recognition of Grand Lodge "Lessing" by this Grand Lodge and that the usual arrangements in due course be made for exchange of Fraternal representatives.

Two communications have been received in the office of the Grand Secretary during the year which are of interest as indicating the distressing conditions under which Masons are living in certain parts of Continental Europe. The first contains an extract from a letter written by a prominent German Mason containing the following statement: "We believe we ought to inform our readers that, in correspondence with German Brothers, all mention of Masonic matters should be omitted, because it might not be wise for a man's Masonic standing to be known at this time." A notice sent out from Scottish Rite Headquarters in Germany declaring that all activities in that Rite had been suspended in Germany and the members relieved of their obligations on April 1st, 1933, concluded with the following significant request: "We urgently request that no further letters or printed matter of any kind be forwarded to us."

In this connection the Masonic Grand Lodge Bulletin published by the Grand Lodge of North Dakota carried an article some months back containing the following statement: "There is no more Free Masonry in Germany. There no longer exist any Masonic Bodies in Germany. The remnants of, and successors to, the former Grand Lodges are so called "Christian Orders," when in communication with Masonic Bodies outside Germany. They have given up the Masonic rituals and customs for rituals which are supposed to connect them with the "pre-Wotanic" German Light Cult whatever that may mean. Their existence even in that form is not assured. Perhaps at a later period the Government will disband them."

It would appear that Masonry in Germany has encountered as tragic an experience under the Hitler power as Italian Masonry met from Mussolini.

The second is a communication from the International Masonic Association with headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland, forwarding a circular letter dated at Keiff, Ukraine, Russia, dated September 22nd, 1933, describing the conditions under which the people of that portion of Russia are now and for some years have been living under the administration of the Soviet Communist Government. From this letter it is gathered that this part of Russia formerly rich in Natural Resources and which once supplied corn to all the European countries and formerly bore the name of "The Granary of Europe" has been ravaged and impoverished to such a point that it can no longer even feed itself. This letter is signed by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the Ukraine and states that many of the inhabitants of that portion of Russia have been sent into exile in Siberia, their possessions have been confiscated and carried off to Russia proper and the people generally subjected to spoliation. At the time the letter was written a further crisis and famine appeared to be hanging over millions of the inhabitants of the Ukraine. The letter does not make any statement as to the attitude of the Russian Government toward Freemasonry and apparently in the Ukraine Free Masonry has not been driven absolutely under ground.

We cite these two communications by way of information as to conditions obtaining elsewhere and mainly that we may ourselves realize with gratitude the favorable conditions under which we as Masons are living on this North American Continent.

Your committee note in the printed Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for 1933 the names of several Grand Lodges with whom it appears doubtful that we are in Fraternal relations, namely: Costa Rica, Guatemala, Italy, Netherlands, Peru, Porto Rico, Sweden. We would respectfully request that your committee be instructed to investigate the precise status of the relations between these Grand Bodies and this Grand Lodge and report thereon with recommendations if considered desirable at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge. It would seem that if we are not in Fraternal relations with these Grand Bodies and do not purpose making application for recognition from them that their names should be eliminated from this list published in our Proceedings.

Two important communications have been received from three Grand Jurisdictions with whom we have been in Fraternal correspondence for some years. (1) A copy of a communication sent out by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois under date of February 10th, 1934, to all the Lodges in that Jurisdiction publishing his Edict to the Craft in that State promulgated for the purpose of correcting abuses in Masonic Lodges and Masonic Circles generally in that Jurisdiction through activities of political candidates and their friends seeking to make use of the Masonic tie or bond as a means of promoting their political aspirations. This condition appears in Illinois to have reached a stage where in campaign literature, public speeches, radio broadcasts, newspaper advertising and even appearance of candidates in lodge meetings for political purposes have become used to such an extent that the Grand Master of Illinois considered the time had come to ban all such activities and tendencies. The Grand Master says: "It is earnestly hoped that these Edicts will be observed in spirit as well as in letter and that it will be liberally construed to the end that our Fraternity may be free from the quarrels and bitter feelings in matters of political controversies and spared the odium that must always attach to religious, fraternal and charitable institutions when they mix in partisan political matters." (2) A copy of a portion of the Proceedings of the regular communications of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts held on December 13th, 1933, containing a report from the Committee on Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges in respect of the situation which had arisen in China following the granting of dispensations and charters to lodges in China by the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands notwithstanding the objections raised and protests lodged with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland. The report concluded with a resolution "That this Grand Lodge (Massachusetts) suspends relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and directs all lodges working under the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to decline receiving any persons hailing from the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, or from any particular lodge under its jurisdiction during such suspension."

This resolution proposed by the committee was adopted unanimously and all Masonic relations between the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and the Grand Lodge of the Philippines are suspended until otherwise ordered.

(3) Circular letter dated March 15th, 1934, sent out by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands to the Grand Repre-

sentatives of that Grand Lodge near sister Grand Lodges and other friends of that Grand Lodge whither-so-ever dispersed. This lengthy communication purports to give a review of the proceedings taken by the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands in this matter and maintains the validity from the standpoint of Masonic law of their actions in China.

Regarding the last two mentioned communications it would appear that the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts is not and does not deny the strict legal right of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands to grant dispensations for and warrants to lodges in Northern China, this country being not under the exclusive sovereign Jurisdiction of any legally established Grand Lodge but being occupied Masonically by the five Grand Lodges involved in this controversy. Criticism of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands is directed not toward the exercise of strict legal rights but rather towards the manner in which they have exercised those rights and in particular responded to representations made by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts concurred in by the other Grand Lodges mentioned. The differences which have arisen are regrettable but will have to be composed if at all by the immediate parties thereto and we in this jurisdiction can only express the hope that an early solution of these difficulties acceptable to all concerned may be found.

A much more encouraging communication has been received under date of April 16th, 1934, announcing the Union of the Rumania National Grand Lodge and Grand Orient of Rumania on April 15th, 1934, under the name of The Rumania United Free Masonry Federation of the National Grand Lodge of Rumania and the Grand Orient of Rumania. The communication closed with a request for Fraternal recognition of this Federated Grand Body but your committee have not had time to make inquiry in regard to these Federated Bodies and ask that action on this request be deferred for report at the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

The Annual Review of the Proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges is submitted herewith and your committee recommends that it be printed as an appendix to the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

Faternally submitted,

FREDERICK S. SELWOOD,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), "That the report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence be received and adopted."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment on 12:30 o'clock p.m.

Second Day = = = Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

MOTIONS

The following motion, of which due notice was given, was moved by W. Bro. W. T. Coote (34), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9):

"That the application of the levy of fifty cents per capita, payable to the Capital Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge, be suspended for the year ending December 31, 1934."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Carried."

The following motion, of which due notice was given, was moved by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9):

"That Section 236 of the Constitution be amended by adding 'but such name or names need not appear on the lodge notice'."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Carried."

The following motion, of which due notice was given, was moved by W. Bro. F. C. Casselman (14), seconded by R. W. Bro. R. H. Lyttle (77):

"That Section 167 of the Constitution be deleted and that there be substituted in its stead the following:

"The business of the lodge may be done in any of the three degrees, at the option of the Master, except when the work requires that a certain ceremony be done in any particular degree."

It was moved, in amendment, by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by W. Bro. J. W. G. Morrison (24), "That the words 'the lodge' be deleted and the following inserted after the word 'of' in the first line: 'any lodge working in the Canadian Rite'."

The amendment on being put was "Carried".

It was then resolved, on motion of W. Bro. J. W. G. Morrison (24), seconded by W. Bro. J. B. McLachlan (38), "That the motion, as amended, be laid on the table until the next communication of Grand Lodge."

It was resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. H. Middleton (58), seconded by M. W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the motion submitted by W. Bro. M. A. McIntyre (92), re Section 167 of the Constitution, be also laid over until the next communication of Grand Lodge."

The following motion, of which due notice was given, was moved by R. W. Bro. A. J. Davis (23), seconded by R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore (23).

"That a new section, 219a, be inserted after Section 219 under 'Dimits,' on pages 68 and 69 of the Constitution, as follows:

"Should a brother in arrears of dues wish to resign, he may apply for a dimit, which may be granted by resolution of the lodge, and such certificate of dimission must state the amount of his indebtedness at date of issue. Should the indebtedness be paid in full within twelve months, either a clear dimit may be issued or the brother again assume active membership, as he so desires. After the expiration of twelve months, should he desire to resume active membership, an application for affiliation will be necessary and should this be made to any other lodge in this jurisdiction, the lodge accepting the same will be responsible to the lodge issuing the dimit for the amount of indebtedness as shown on it."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Lost."

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. J. Snaddon (83), "That the thanks and appreciation of this Grand Lodge be expressed to W. Bro. The Rev. Philip Duncan, B.A., for his splendid address delivered at the Annual Banquet, and that the same be printed in the Proceedings."

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), "That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the daughters of the late M. W. Bro. George Macdonald, for their donation to the Grand Lodge Library of the Masonic books, certificates and regalia belonging to their father."

Resolved, on motion of W. Bro. W. T. Coote (34), seconded by W. Bro. John Norquay (92), "That the Committee on Benevolence be instructed to canvas the avenues of distributing relief, consistent with the principles of Masonry and with a view to disbursing the full amount levied or earned each year, and any changes in the regulations which they think should be made, but which they have not the power to make themselves, be given as a notice of motion for our next Grand Lodge meeting."

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore, "That this Grand Lodge express its thanks and appreciation to the management of the Central Masonic Temple, and especially to R. W. Bro. M. J. Macleod, for the courteous and kindly attention shown them, during this communication."

PLACE OF MEETING

It was resolved, on motion of W. Bro. W. H. Hilton (92), seconded by W. Bro. W. Betts (58), "That the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held in the City of Calgary."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The time having arrived for the election of officers, the M. W. the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, R. W. Bro. F. V. Truesdale, R. W. Bro. O. Hawthorn, R. W. Bro. J. Madill, R. W. Bro. T. W. Bull, R. W. Bro. George Moore, R. W. Bro. A. C. Moore, W. Bro. M. A. McIntyre, W. Bro. H. J. Adames and W. Bro. G. L. Jackson a Board of Scrutineers.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RECEPTION

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials are pleased to report that we find there are 381 members present at this Communication, carrying a total voting strength of 624, consisting of 63 W. M.'s, 31 S. W.'s, 17 J. W.'s, 270 P. M.'s and 41 Proxies.

128 Chartered Lodges are represented.

29 Chartered Lodges are without representation.

Details of representation are as follows:

Fraternally submitted,

SAM J. BLAIR,

Chairman.

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
1. Bow River.....	2	1	..	3	..	6
2. Medicine Hat.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
3. Alberta.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
4. North Star.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
5. Cascade.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
6. Spitzie.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
7. Edmonton.....	2	..	1	9	..	12
8. Innisfail.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
9. Perfection.....	..	3	..	4	..	7
10. Eureka.....	1	1	1	1	..	4
11. Acacia.....	2	1	..	9	..	12
12. Red Deer.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
13. Victoria.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
14. Jasper.....	3	..	..	13	..	16
15. Wetaskiwin.....	..	..	..	3	..	3
16. Mountain View.....	..	..	..	10	3	13
17. Nanton.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
18. Britannia.....	..	..	3	1	..	4
19. Cornerstone.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
20. Carstairs.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
21. King Hiram.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
22. Corinthian.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
23. Calgary.....	..	3	..	3	..	6
24. Vermilion.....	2	1	..	5	..	8
25. St. John's.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
26. Sentinel.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
27. Apollo.....	..	..	..	4	3	7
28. Ashlar.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
29. Kenilworth.....	3	..	..	5	..	8
30. Summit.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
31. Doric.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
32. Cairo.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
33. Stavelly.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
34. Star of the West.....	..	..	..	5	3	8
35. Mizpah.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
36. Gleichen.....	3	..	..	..	..	3

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
37. Camrose.....	2	1	..	4	..	7
38. Hope.....	..	..	..	4	3	7
39. Lethbridge.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
40. Joppa.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
41. King Solomon.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
42. Bowden.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
43. Tuscan.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
44. Buffalo Park.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
45. Ionic.....	..	3	..	1	..	4
46. Palestine.....	..	3	..	2	..	5
47. Chinook.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
48. Crossfield.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
49. Robert Burns.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
50. Comet.....	..	..	..	2	..	2
51. Unity.....	1	1	1	12	..	15
53. Strathmore.....	..	3	..	1	..	4
54. Mount Lebanon.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
55. Bassano.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
56. Beaver.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
57. Grassy Lake.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
58. Chief Mountain.....	..	..	3	2	..	5
59. King George.....	..	..	1	1	..	4
60. Acme.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
61. Provost.....	3	..	..	3	..	6
62. Coal.....	2	1	..	2	..	5
63. Empire.....	1	1	1	6	..	9
64. Bow Island.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
65. Diamond City.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
66. St. Andrew's.....	2	..	1	3	..	6
67. Charity.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
68. Edson.....	1	1	1	3	..	6
69. Connaught.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
70. Quarry.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
71. Tawatinaw.....	2	1	..	..	..	3
72. Coronation.....	2	1	..	3	..	6
73. Brooks.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
74. Vulcan.....	..	2	1	..	..	3
75. Harmony.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
76. Fidelity.....	2	..	1	3	..	6
77. Strathcona.....	3	..	..	5	..	8
78. Hanna.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
79. Morning Star.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
80. Excelsior.....	..	..	3	..	..	3
81. Commercial.....	2	1	..	3	..	6
82. Acadia.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
83. Zetland.....	..	3	..	4	..	7
84. Champion.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
86. Rocky Mountain.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
87. Crescent.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
88. Wahpun.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
89. Peace River.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
90. Norwood.....	2	..	1	4	..	7
91. Patricia.....	2	..	1	8	..	11
92. Saskatchewan.....	2	1	..	7	..	10
93. Symbol.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
94. Lamont.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
95. Kitchener.....	..	..	..	..	..	..

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
96. Dynamic.....	2	1	..	4	..	7
97. Albion.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
98. Hand Hill.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
100. Verdigris.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
101. West Edmonton.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
102. Edgerton.....	..	..	..	3	..	3
103. Foremost.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
104. Oyen.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
105. Grande Prairie.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
106. Lake Saskatoon.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
107. Carbon.....	..	..	3	3	..	6
108. Pyramid.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
109. Ancient Landmark ..	3	..	..	..	..	3
110. Kilwinning.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
111. Nobleford.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
112. Victory.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
113. Cyprus.....	..	..	3	..	..	3
114. Westlock.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
115. Crocus.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
116. Spirit River.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
117. Dominion.....	2	1	..	3	..	6
118. St. Mark's.....	3	..	..	3	..	6
119. York.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
120. Monitor ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
121. Clive.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
122. Rising Sun.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
123. Rockyford.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
124. Concord.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
125. Cavell.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
126. Pembina.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
127. Granite.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
128. Forestburg ..	2	..	1	5	..	8
129. Meridian.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
130. Hussar....	..	..	..	..	..	..
131. Kitscoty.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
132. Craigmyle.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
133. Manyberries.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
134. Renfrew.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
135. Alliance.....	2	1	..	..	..	3
136. Cresset.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
137. Irricana.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
138. Onoway.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
139. Melrose.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
140. Big Valley ..	3	..	..	..	..	3
141. Efficiency.....	1	1	1	1	..	4
142. Ivanhoe.....	2	1	..	8	..	11
143. Jasper Park.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
144. Gratton.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
145. St. Alban's.....	..	3	..	1	..	4
146. Drumheller ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
147. Northland.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
148. Mayerthorpe.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
149. Rosebud.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
150. Donalda.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
151. Lochearn ..	..	..	..	1	3	4
152. Standard.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
153. Whitecourt.....	..	..	..	..	3	3

		W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
154.	Waskatenau.....	..	3	..	1	..	4
155.	Earl Haig.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
156.	Hythe.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
157.	Sharon.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
158.	Berry Creek.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
159.	Lucerne.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
160.	Sexsmith.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
		156	48	27	270	123	624

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. Sam Harris (88), "That the report of the Committee on Credentials and Reception be received and adopted."

The election of Grand Lodge Officers was then proceeded with, and the results, including the various District Deputy Grand Masters who had been elected at their District Meetings and at this communication of Grand Lodge, and whose election was confirmed by the M. W. the Grand Master, were as follows:

GRAND OFFICERS, 1934

M. W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes (83).....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Melvin M. Downey (77).....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. V. Harold Macaulay (59).....	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. Clare C. Hartman (16).....	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. Wm. J. Snaddon (83).....	Grand Treasurer
M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6).....	Grand Secretary
R. W. Bro. Frank Barnhouse (7).....	Grand Registrar
R. W. Bro. Alfred J. Whitby (11).....	Grand Chaplain
R. W. Bro. P. Fielding (38).....	Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R. W. Bro. William Noble (118).....	D.D.G.M. No. 1 Dist.
R. W. Bro. H. Norman Davis (2).....	D.D.G.M. No. 2 Dist.
R. W. Bro. John Thomson (68).....	D.D.G.M. No. 3 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Charles R. Bunn (29).....	D.D.G.M. No. 4 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Charles B. Sarjeant (62).....	D.D.G.M. No. 5 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Max E. Malchow (33).....	D.D.G.M. No. 6 Dist.
R. W. Bro. George O. Brownlee (103).....	D.D.G.M. No. 7 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Grier R. Davis (3).....	D.D.G.M. No. 8 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Jesse Ruttan (72).....	D.D.G.M. No. 9 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Walter N. Crooks (38).....	D.D.G.M. No. 10 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Frederick J. Whitmarsh (49).....	D.D.G.M. No. 11 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Fred W. Burton (92).....	D.D.G.M. No. 12 Dist.
R. W. Bro. John O. Patterson (015).....	D.D.G.M. No. 13 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Edward A. Cavanaugh (132)....	D.D.G.M. No. 14 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Judson B. Snyder (86).....	D.D.G.M. No. 15 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Stanley F. Torrance (107).....	D.D.G.M. No. 16 Dist.
R. W. Bro. Thomas J. Chavasse (102).....	D.D.G.M. No. 17 Dist.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The following brethren were elected for a term of two years:

R. W. Bro. T. W. Bull (63).....	Edmonton
R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9).....	Calgary

R. W. Bro. E. G. Ironside (23)	Calgary
R. W. Bro. George Moore (23)	Calgary
R. W. Bro. F. V. Truesdale (124)	Calgary
R. W. Bro. A. West (7)	Edmonton
R. W. Bro. W. F. W. Carstairs (11)	Edmonton
W. Bro. G. B. McLeod (142)	Edmonton
And for one year:	
R. W. Bro. J. O. Little (63)	Edmonton

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

The following brethren were elected for a term of two years:

M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29)	Red Deer
M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26)	Hillcrest
R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59)	Calgary

APPOINTED OFFICERS, 1934

R. W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes, Grand Master elect, announced the following appointments:

V. W. Bro. James W. Loughery (41)	Senior Grand Deacon
V. W. Bro. John H. Cochrane (141)	Junior Grand Deacon
V. W. Bro. Frederick A. Bartram (100)	Grand Organist
V. W. Bro. Harold W. B. Bell (53)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. David W. Jacobs (46)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. James A. Fonger (131)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Hans Farvolden (128)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Robert F. Barnes (30)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Francis J. Henry (154)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Robert A. Conrad (126)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Wm. J. Winning (158)	Grand Pursuivant

The newly elected officers present were duly installed by M. W. Bro. John Martland, assisted by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, P.G.M., and M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank, P.G.M.

PRESENTATION

M. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, Grand Master, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented M. W. Bro. John Martland, immediate Past Grand Master, with a set of Past Grand Master's regalia. M. W. Bro. John Martland suitably expressed his appreciation of the gift.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, the Twenty-ninth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 7:45 o'clock p.m. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.



Grand Secretary.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1934

M.W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes (83)	Grand Master
326 40th Avenue West, Calgary	
R.W. Bro. Melvin M. Downey (77)	Deputy Grand Master
11043-90th Avenue, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. William Noble (118)	D.D.G.M. No. 1 Dist.
1607-26th Avenue S.W., Calgary.	
R.W. Bro. H. Norman Davis (2)	D.D.G.M. No. 2 Dist.
346 - 3rd St. S.E., Medicine Hat.	
R.W. Bro. John Thomson (68), Box 82, Edson	D.D.G.M. No. 3 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Charles R. Bunn (29), Red Deer	D.D.G.M. No. 4 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Charles B. Sarjeant (62), Bawlf	D.D.G.M. No. 5 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Max E. Malchow (33), Stavely	D.D.G.M. No. 6 Dist.
R.W. Bro. George O. Brownlee (103)	D.D.G.M. No. 7 Dist.
P.O. Box 68, Foremost.	
R.W. Bro. Grier Rider Davis (3), Macleod	D.D.G.M. No. 8 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Jesse Ruttan (72), Bulwark	D.D.G.M. No. 9 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Walter N. Crooks (38), Mannville	D.D.G.M. No. 10 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Frederick J. Whitmarsh (49), Carmangay	D.D.G.M. No. 11 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Fred W. Burton (92)	D.D.G.M. No. 12 Dist.
11018-92nd Street, Edmonton.	
R.W. Bro. John O. Patterson (105)	D.D.G.M. No. 13 Dist.
P.O. Box 1761, Grande Prairie.	
R.W. Bro. Edward A. Cavanaugh (132)	D.D.G.M. No. 14 Dist.
P.O. Box 32, Craigmyle.	
R.W. Bro. Judson B. Snyder (66), Trochu	D.D.G.M. No. 15 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Stanley F. Torrance (107), Carbon	D.D.G.M. No. 16 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Thomas J. Chavasse (102), Edgerton	D.D.G.M. No. 17 Dist.
R.W. Bro. V. Harold Macaulay (59)	Senior Grand Warden
301 Leeson & Lineham Block, Calgary.	
R.W. Bro. Clare C. Hartman (16), Olds	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Snaddon (83)	Grand Treasurer
3817 Elbow Drive, Calgary.	
M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6)	Grand Secretary
Masonic Temple, Calgary.	
R.W. Bro. Frank Barnhouse (7)	Grand Registrar
P.O. Box 34, Edmonton.	
R.W. Bro. Alfred J. Whitby (11)	Grand Chaplain
8606-104th Street, Edmonton.	
V.W. Bro. James W. Loughery (41), Cochrane	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. John Hugh Chochrane (141), Hughenden	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Frederick A. Bartram (100), Milk River	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Harold W. B. Bell (53)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
12 Houlton House, Calgary.	
V.W. Bro. David W. Jacobs (46), Tofield	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. James A. Fonger (131), Marwayne	Grand Steward

V.W. Bro. Hans Farvolden (128), Forestburg.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Robert F. Barnes (30), Coleman.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Francis J. Henry (154), Waskatenau.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Robert A. Conrad (126), Sangudo.....	Grand Steward
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R.W. Bro. P. Fielding (38), Mulga.....	Grand Tyler

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

President.....	R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey
Vice-President.....	R.W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay
Secretary.....	M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

Honorary Past Grand Masters

M.W. Bro. E. A. Braithwaite (7).....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. R. S. Thornton.....	Deloraine, Man.
M.W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes (83), Grand Master.....	Calgary

And the following Past Grand Masters:

M.W. Bro. G. H. Hogbin (1).....	Salisbury, Eng.
M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Robert Patterson (3).....	Macleod
M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson (4).....	Lethbridge
M.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14).....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29).....	Red Deer
M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37).....	London, Ont.
M.W. Bro. F. S. Seewood (28).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. H. P. Reid (14).....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. T. F. English (23).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26).....	Hillcrest
M.W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77).....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. S. H. Middleton (58).....	Cardston
M.W. Bro. S. M. Snedden (91).....	Ponoka
M.W. Bro. Geo. W. Kerby (83).....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock (35).....	Medicine Hat
M.W. Bro. John Martland (63).....	Edmonton
R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (77), Deputy Grand Master.....	Edmonton
R.W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), Senior Grand Warden.....	Calgary

R.W. Bro. C. C. Hartman (16), Junior Grand Warden.....Olds
 R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Snaddon (83), Grand Treasurer.....Calgary
 R.W. Bro. Frank Barnhouse (7), Grand Registrar.....Edmonton

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE

R.W. Bro. Sam Harris (88).....High Prairie
 R.W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey (28).....Calgary
 R.W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1).....Strathmore
 R.W. Bro. H. Sandilands (14).....Edmonton
 R.W. Bro. A. C. Moore (56).....Castor
 R.W. Bro. T. W. Bull (63).....Edmonton
 R.W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9).....Calgary
 R.W. Bro. E. G. Ironside (23).....Calgary
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In Memoriam

OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF

SISTER GRAND LODGES



*"To live in the hearts we leave behind
is not to die."*

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Reverently Inscribed to the Honored Dead of Sister Jurisdictions



<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>Name and Rank</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
Arkansas.....	Whaley, Storm Onus, P.G.M.....	June 16, 1933
Colorado.....	DeLong, Horace T., P.G.M.....	June 8, 1933
France (National).....	Mondehare, Henri de, G.M.....	May 31, 1933
Illinois.....	Zarley, William Hadsell, D.G.M.....	June 23, 1933
Indiana.....	Orbison, Charles J., P.G.M.....	July 27, 1933
Kansas.....	March, William Frank, G. T.....	May 24, 1933
Nebraska.....	Burnham, Charles Edwin, P.G.M....	May 29, 1933
New York.....	Robinson, Robert H., P.G.M.....	Nov. 7, 1933
New York.....	Penney, Thomas, P.G.M.....	Nov. 11, 1933
Ohio.....	Sperra, O. P. P.G.M.....	Dec. 20, 1933
Oregon.....	Pearce, Lot Livermore.....	July 1, 1933
Saskatchewan.....	Anderson, John Hawkins, P.G.M....	May 17, 1933
South Dakota	Cleaver, John Albert, P.G.M.....	Mar. 5, 1934
Tennessee.....	Comstock, Charles, P.G.M.....	June 8, 1933
Washington.....	Askren, Thomas Merle, P.G.M.....	Jan. 31, 1934
West Virginia.....	Clark, Luther Hale, P.G.M.....	Dec. 23, 1933
Wisconsin.....	Gatchell, Ernest Egbert, P.G.M.	Dec. 10, 1933
Wisconsin.....	Jenks, Aldro, P.G.M.....	Jan. 1, 1934
Wisconsin.....	Johnson, Frank, P.G.M.....	Jan. 20, 1934

In Memoriam

OF THE
ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD
OF
OUR OWN JURISDICTION



*"Our labours are ended, the Warden in the West
Has marked well the setting of the Sun;
And closed are the toils of the Craft we love the best,
And the time for refreshment's begun."*

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To the Honored Dead of our own Jurisdiction



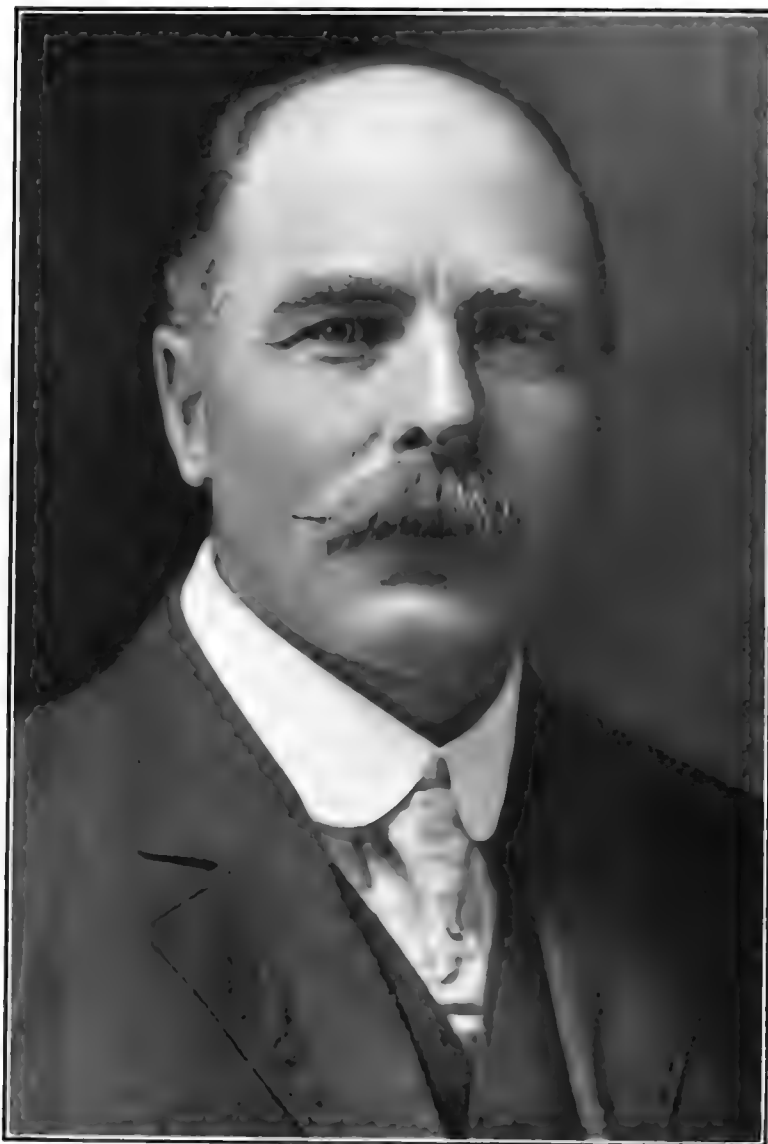
<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
1.	Bow River	Carson, Andrew	Jan. 29, 1933
1.	Bow River	Macdonald, George	Nov. 4, 1933
1.	Bow River	Allen, George Albert	Dec. 4, 1933
2.	Medicine Hat	Knight, James Alfred	May 6, 1933
2.	Medicine Hat	Scott, Quintin Lewis	Oct. 18, 1933
3.	Alberta	Thewlis, Fred	Nov. 7, 1933
4.	North Star	Ball, William Sargent	Dec. 4, 1933
4.	North Star	Oxland, Ernest	Sept. 19, 1933
4.	North Star	Perry, John Edgar	July 31, 1933
4.	North Star	Walker, David	Nov. 30, 1933
5.	Cascade	Wilson, Thomas Edmonds	Sept. 20, 1933
5.	Cascade	Reid, James Alexander	Dec. 8, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Hyde, Henry Ernest	Oct. 24, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Nicoll, James	Dec. 5, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Christie, Andrew	May 31, 1933
7.	Edmonton	McKenzie, P.D	Unknown
7.	Edmonton	Dunlop, John	July 15, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Markle, David G.	Aug. 19, 1933
8.	Innisfail	Weir, George	Mar. 26, 1933
8.	Innisfail	Center, Erastus Hall	Nov. 10, 1933
9.	Perfection	Lougheed, Clarence H.	Feb. 2, 1933
9.	Perfection	Buxton, Joseph	Feb. 17, 1933
9.	Perfection	Yeates, Alexander	Mar. 13, 1933
9.	Perfection	*Davis, Septimus Henry	Mar. 27, 1933
9.	Perfection	Webster, George H.	Nov. 9, 1933
9.	Perfection	Pallesen, Nels Peter	Dec. 4, 1933
11.	Acacia	Gough, Harry	June .., 1933
11.	Acacia	Mills, James William	Oct. 5, 1933
12.	Red Deer	McKinney, William	Dec. 24, 1933
14.	Jasper	Holtorf, John	Mar. 6, 1933
14.	Jasper	Bown, John Campbell Ferris	April 27, 1933
14.	Jasper	Smith, J. B. W.	Nov. 6, 1933
14.	Jasper	Engel, Philip Conrad	Dec. 27, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
17.	Nanton.....	Greig, George Rupert.....	Oct. 28, 1933
19.	Cornerstone.....	Campbell, Gordon W.....	Mar. 20, 1933
19.	Cornerstone.....	Sexsmith, Marston.....	April 4, 1933
19.	Cornerstone.....	Cuttle, George Stewart.....	June 8, 1933
19.	Cornerstone.....	Sleeman, Erwin.....	Aug. 19, 1933
20.	Carstairs.....	Hammell, Joseph.....	Oct. 5, 1933
21.	King Hiram.....	McRae, Donald.....	April 11, 1933
21.	King Hiram.....	Good, Jonathan R.....	Sept. 1, 1933
22.	Corinthian.....	McIntyre, Duncan Smith.....	Oct. 5, 1933
22.	Corinthian.....	MacDonald, Angus.....	Dec. 12, 1933
25.	St. John's.....	Petersen, Theodore.....	July 19, 1933
26.	Sentinel.....	Smith, Frank James.....	Nov. 18, 1933
27.	Apollo.....	*Norstrant, Clarence Munro....	Jan. 24, 1933
27.	Apollo.....	Dodd, Henry.....	Aug. 24, 1933
27.	Apollo.....	Mason, James Edward.....	Dec. 19, 1933
28.	Ashlar.....	Brown, Charles.....	Jan. 13, 1933
28.	Ashlar.....	Horner, Austin Pemberton....	April 22, 1933
28.	Ashlar.....	Carruthers, Joseph.....	June 13, 1933
33.	Stavely.....	Rieford, Thad. Lynn.....	April 3, 1933
34.	Star of the West.....	Telford, Robert Taylor.....	Nov. 26, 1933
35.	Mizpah.....	McLean, William John.....	Oct. 21, 1933
35.	Mizpah.....	Boyd, Oliver.....	Aug. 18, 1933
37.	Camrose.....	Howcroft, George.....	Nov. 1, 1933
39.	Lethbridge.....	Standing, Thomas George.....	Nov. 30, 1933
39.	Lethbridge.....	Theobald, James Edward.....	Feb. 4, 1933
40.	Joppa.....	Marson, John Wyer.....	June 28, 1933
46.	Palestine.....	Smith, Norman Stanley.....	April 11, 1933
46.	Palestine.....	Howe, James Russell.....	May 7, 1933
48.	Crossfield.....	McRory, Wilson.....	Nov. 24, 1933
48.	Crossfield.....	Huser, George Gottliel.....	Dec. 21, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Currie, James Duncan.....	Jan. 2, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Telford, William James.....	May 14, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Bell, William Henry.....	June 9, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Robertson, John Donald.....	Aug. 3, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Perry, Bertrim Leslie.....	July 10, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Wormald, Frank.....	Aug. 5, 1933
51.	Unity.....	Bean, Vernon William.....	July 20, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Chamberlain, Henry Stephen	
		B.....	June 23, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
53.	Strathmore.....	Woods, William Lucas.....	Dec. 19, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Pinkerton, Leon Frank.....	July 5, 1933
55.	Bassano.....	Kellow, Harold Stanley.....	Jan. 24, 1933
56.	Beaver.....	Clarke, James L.....	Dec. .., 1932
56.	Beaver.....	Howe, Ernest Finlay.....	May 9, 1933
59.	King George.....	Brown, Andrew.....	May 24, 1933
39.	King George.....	Singleton, Andrew.....	April 13, 1933
59.	King George.....	Campbell, James Stewart Walker.....	June 19, 1933
59.	King George.....	Bangs, Thomas Jefferson.....	July 6, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Bartram, William R.....	Jan. 18, 1931
65.	Diamond City ...	Richards, Charles Clifton.....	June 15, 1933
68.	Edson.....	Eccleston, William.....	Feb. 28, 1933
69.	Connaught.....	Ross, Angus.....	Aug. 16, 1933
70.	Quarry.....	McLachlan, Donald.....	April 15, 1933
70.	Quarry.....	Woodcock, Arthur W.....	May 15, 1933
70.	Quarry.....	Tarrant, Joseph Edward.....	Oct. 23, 1933
71.	Tawatinaw.....	Pratt, Charles Henry.....	Dec. 31, 1933
72.	Coronation.....	Holmes, Charles H.....	May 21, 1933
74.	Vulcan.....	Gardiner, Cecil M.....	May 11, 1933
77.	Strathcona.....	Shields, Henry Charles.....	Jan. 7, 1933
77.	Strathcona.....	Neilans, John Ferrier Littster.....	June 17, 1933
77.	Strathcona.....	Davies, David.....	Oct. 26, 1933
79.	Morning Star....	Steen, Walter.....	July 24, 1933
81.	Commercial.....	Thomas, Dougal Paul.....	Feb. 21, 1933
83.	Zetland.....	Clarke, Victor C.....	Jan. .., 1933
83.	Zetland.....	Morgan, Harold W.....	Aug. 4, 1933
84.	Champion.....	Beaubier, Jackson Napolian ...	Feb. 20, 1933
86.	Rocky Mountain.	Muncaster, William Henry	Oct. 23, 1933
87.	Crescent.....	Bowden, Richard.....	Feb. 5, 1933
87.	Crescent.....	Smale, John.....	June 3, 1933
87.	Crescent.....	Nicholson, William F.....	Feb. 21, 1933
87.	Crescent.....	Bell, Isaac.....	Oct. 5, 1933
87.	Crescent.....	Webb, Samuel.....	Oct. 27, 1933
89.	Peace River.....	Wilson, Thomas R.....	Jan. 4, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Anderson, William.....	Feb. 8, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Jones, Richard Evan.....	Dec. 27, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Scott, William.....	Dec. .., 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Griffith, James Bray.....	Dec. 25, 1933

93.	Symbol.....	*Norstrant, Clarence Munro....	Jan. 24, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Baird, William.....	Dec. 12, 1933
97.	Albion.....	Malmberg, Axel Leonard.....	June 16, 1933
102.	Edgerton.....	Redmond, Alfred.....	July 23, 1933
103.	Foremost.....	Whittle, Thomas Henry.....	Mar. 30, 1933
105.	Grande Prairie...	Hedman, Axel Bernadott.....	Dec. 14, 1933
110.	Kilwinning.....	Montgomery, Thomas W.....	April 15, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	McGregor, Alexander George..	Jan. 13, 1933
117.	Dominion.....	Coleman, Russell George.....	Mar. 22, 1933
118.	St. Mark's	Macartney, John Nixon Herbert.....	Mar. 10, 1933
118.	St. Mark's.....	Spencer, Oliver Lupi.....	Nov. 2, 1933
119.	York.....	Edmunds, Thomas Herbert....	Nov. 19, 1933
120.	Monitor.....	Stephens, George William	April 7, 1933
120.	Monitor.....	MacKenzie, William John.....	Sept. 13, 1933
123.	Rockyford.....	Wise, Charles Melvin.....	Mar. 18, 1933
123.	Rockyford.....	Porterfield, James L.....	Dec. 3, 1933
124.	Concord.....	*Davies, Septimus H.....	Mar. 27, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Silman, William Harold.....	Nov. 23, 1933
126.	Pembina.....	Stomquist, Walter John.....	Oct. 9, 1933
126.	Pembina.....	Higgins, John.....	Oct. 11, 1933
127.	Granite.....	Bowlus, Oliver Winfield.....	Jan. 3, 1933
127.	Granite.....	Swartz, William Neil.....	Aug. 26, 1933
128.	Forestburg.....	Pickett, Adrian Victor.....	June .., 1933
128.	Forestburg.....	Ledingham, James.....	Dec. 14, 1933
129.	Meridian.....	McLaughlin, Ellsworth C.....	Jan. 30, 1933
129.	Meridian.....	Washburn, Philander Smith ..	Feb. 3, 1933
134.	Renfrew.....	Little, William James.....	April 30, 1933
134.	Renfrew.....	Loveless, Albert Caton.....	Jan. 30, 1933
142.	Ivanhoe.....	McNab, William Miller	July 16, 1933
142.	Ivanhoe.....	McLaughlin, Robert Edward ..	Aug. 5, 1933
142.	Ivanhoe.....	McMillan, Hugh Arthur.....	Nov. 6, 1933
145.	St. Alban's.....	Engley, Robert Bulmer.....	Jan. 21, 1933
146.	Drumheller.....	Campbell, William Alexander..	May 10, 1933
148.	Mayerthorpe....	Harrington, William J.....	May 30, 1933
148.	Mayerthorpe	Clark, Thomas E.	Oct. 17, 1933
155.	Earl Haig.....	Charters, Edward John.....	Nov. 10, 1933

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Col. GEORGE MACDONALD, V.D.
Grand Master, 1905 — Grand Secretary, 1907-16

In Memoriam

M.W. Bro. Col. George Macdonald, V.D.

GRAND MASTER—1905

GRAND SECRETARY—1907-16

In the early hours of Saturday morning, on the fourth day of November, 1933, this distinguished brother answered the Last Call—our first Grand Master, who did so much for Masonry and for Grand Lodge in its formative years in Alberta.

M. W. Bro. George Macdonald was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, on September 22nd, 1863. While still a young boy he came with his parents to Canada, continuing his education in Montreal and the High School at Renfrew, Ontario. He then entered McGill University, studying medicine and graduating in 1889. For a year he practised his profession in Renfrew and in 1890 came to Calgary as surgeon for the Calgary and Edmonton Railway Company, remaining with them during the construction period, during which time he became well known from Macleod to Edmonton.

He made Calgary his permanent residence in 1895. In December of this year he married Miss Mary Alice Macleod of Charlottetown, P.E.I., who predeceased him on September 4th, 1929. Their two daughters, Flora and Norma, survive them.

Calgary, in those days, was the centre of a very extensive ranching district and the doctor soon built up a large and successful practice. Travel then was difficult and often dangerous. Roads were almost non-existent, being generally merely wagon trails, unmarked, and rivers and streams had to be forded, while in winter time extreme hardship was often encountered. But the doctor, true to the traditions of his profession, never thought of the risks entailed when his services were required. He had all the courage and endurance of the typical pioneer.

In 1897 his health demanded that he take some respite from his work, and like the postman who takes a walk for his holiday, he undertook the overland trip via Athabasca, Fort Smith and the Mackenzie River, thence through the mountains to Dawson and the Klondyke, and it was no small proof of his stamina and persistence that he was one of the two who succeeded in that extremely difficult and arduous journey. He remained in Dawson for a year, living almost the entire time in the open. Restored to health, he returned to Calgary and resumed his practice.

Always a great believer in keeping fit, physically as well as mentally he actively engaged in many athletic sports and took a leading part in organizing several clubs. It was he who organized the first Lacrosse Club in Calgary, a team of which he took to Vancouver in 1891.

From his earliest days he was keenly interested in military affairs and in Calgary became the commanding officer of the Fifteenth Canadian Light Horse. He pursued his military training with the same energy that he put into everything in which he was interested and when the call went out in 1914 he was one of the first to respond. Setting aside all private interests he raised the Twelfth C.M.R., a unit whose personnel gave a good account of themselves in the Great War. He went overseas and was in command of the Royal Canadian Dragoons and the Fort Garry Horse. He organized Bramshott Camp in England and saw service in France in the Second Battalion before he was recalled to take charge of Military District No. 13, with headquarters in Calgary, holding this command until 1919, when he became associated with the Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Department, as Medical Officer. He was later transferred to the Belcher Military Hospital as one of the medical staff, where he remained until his superannuation in September of this year.

His Masonic career commenced in the Spring of 1894, with his initiation in Bow River Lodge, then No. 28 on the Grand Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and now No. 1 in this Grand Lodge. Taking a very active interest in the work of the lodge, he became Master in 1898. Afterwards as Past Master he kept in close touch with all its affairs and became known as an authority on matters relating to the Constitution, Jurisprudence and History of Masonry.

At the formation of this Grand Lodge in 1905 his selection as Grand Master received the hearty endorsement of the then few and widely scattered lodges in Alberta. Two years later he was elected Grand Secretary of the young Grand Lodge and took an active and responsible part in the organization work so necessary to establish a sound working basis. A reference to the records from 1907 to the outbreak of the Great War will indicate the immense amount of work he accomplished. He had to contend with many difficulties, having to conduct the entire business of the office single-handed. His office was in his own home and nearly all his letters—and correspondence was heavy—were written by hand and in time his room and even the basement of his house was crowded with Grand Lodge books and documents. He instituted a practical system of card registration for all members, which is in use today in the Grand Lodge office and has proven to be of immense value. We have, as a result, a very complete record of every member who has joined the Order in Alberta, whether as an initiate or affiliate. He was most particular in preserving every document that could possibly be of any value and his general knowledge of Masonry, with his kindly, generous and fraternal advice and assistance did much to unite our widely scattered membership.

Military duties from the commencement of the Great War necessarily removed him from active conduct of the office of Grand Secretary and although Grand Lodge was loathe to lose an efficient officer, in 1917 he felt compelled to relinquish the office, to the great regret of those with whom he had been so long associated. Almost his last formal appearance in Grand Lodge was on the occasion of our 25th Anniversary,

when he, as our first Grand Master, delivered the historical address on that occasion.

A pioneer and old timer, he was greatly beloved by those who were privileged to be admitted to his inner circle of friends and was highly regarded as a man by all who knew him. A sensitive character, he shrank from publicity and in his latter years he gradually dropped many of his fraternal activities, but always had a welcome for his old friends. Generous to a fault, he had innumerable kindly deeds to his credit, of which few but the recipients knew anything about. He lived a useful and active life of service to others, in his profession, to this Fraternity and to King and Country. That his passing made a profound impression was evidenced by the large congregation that gathered in the Pro-Cathedral, where the short, simple and dignified service seemed so appropriate to the character of the man whose memory they had assembled to honor. He was buried with full military honors and as the gun carriage moved off to the strains of the pipes, playing that most touching of all processional airs—"The Flowers of the Forest"—with the slow marching troops and the hundreds of silent people, it was a most impressive sight, making one realize that our brother's life for twenty-eight years after he had laid down the Grand Master's gavel of office had been an honored one and was proof of the wisdom of our elder brethren when they selected him as our first Grand Master.

SUSPENSIONS N.P.D.

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
1.	Bow River	Bateman, William	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Barnecut, John	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Collicutt, Frank Herbert	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Craig, Hugh	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Dewar, Roderick	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Good, William Thomas	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Hill, James	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Laughton, Ross	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Martin, Thomas A.	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Pallesen, Niel D.	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Patterson, John M.	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Scott, William	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	White, George C.	June 7, 1933
1.	Bow River	Taylor, William Stanley	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Robertson, Francis Murray	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Palmer, Leonard S.	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Galloway, Arthur R.	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Girvin, William George	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Finlayson, David	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Dickinson, Arthur Norman	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Bennett, Ernest Harold	Dec. 6, 1933
1.	Bow River	Bell, William Wilson	Dec. 6, 1933
2.	Medicine Hat	Hill, Leslie Murdock	Dec. 27, 1933
3.	Alberta	Barton, Robert Edward	Sept. 20, 1933
4.	North Star	McPherson, Robert	Dec. 29, 1933
4.	North Star	Rowan, Herbert John	Dec. 27, 1933
4.	North Star	Russell, James Leonard	Dec. 27, 1933
4.	North Star	Tuller, Philo William	Dec. 27, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Lehman, Peter	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Burns, William W.	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Church, John Clifford	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Britton, Frank H.	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Allison, Arthur L.	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Geering, Walter H.	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Stuckey, Richard	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	McLean, Dan J.	May 2, 1933
6.	Spitzie	Jenkins, Stephen W.	May 2, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Borton, Robert G.	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Butler, Ernest Bell	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Campbell, Arthur Renwick	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Cooper, Eugene Wellington	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Dempsey, Alexander Chris.	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Denman, John James	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Kaline, Anderw Frederick	June 15, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Lawrie, Sydney Thomas	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Miller, Charles Septimus	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	McKeen, Charles Milton	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	McKercher, Laurel E.	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	McKnight, George Franklin	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Ritchie, Frank E.	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Thurlo, William James	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	West, William Robert	June 13, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Cook, Walter	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Fraser, James	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Higgins, Lawrence Hollister	Dec. 12, 1933

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7.	Edmonton	Jones, Ernest Aubrey	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Matheson, Joseph G.	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Mitchell, Kenneth J.	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Murray, Kenneth	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Price, Alfred	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Rankin, Alexander	Dec. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Rodger, Frederick McGregor	Dec. 12, 1933
9.	Perfection	Bullough, John W.	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Hamill, Otto Filman	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Johnston, Matthew Pitt	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Long, Albert E. R.	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Robinson, John Thomas	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Stokes, William John	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Taylor, Albert T.	May 16, 1933
9.	Perfection	Young, Edward Jackson	May 16, 1933
11.	Acacia	Richards, Edward Green	June 8, 1933
11.	Acacia	Broadhurst, Arthur	June 8, 1933
11.	Acacia	McKim, Harry Boyd	Dec. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Peppard, Arthur Llewelyn	Dec. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Raycroft, Ernest	Dec. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Ridgewell, William Henry	Dec. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Ross, Harry Lee	Dec. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Saint, John William	Dec. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	Langley, Hedley Francis	
		Henry	Mar. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	Moore, Frederick B.	Mar. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	Pyke, Dugald	Mar. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	Smith, Daniel A.	Mar. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	Patterson, Ralph	Mar. 14, 1933
13.	Victoria	Cameron, Clarence William	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	McLellan, Ira Chetwood	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Davis, Frederick Thomas	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Harris, Joseph Graham	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Grayson, John	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Goodard, Ralph P. H.	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Moody, George Alexander	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	McLellan, John	Nov. 28, 1933
13.	Victoria	Shera, William Glover	Nov. 28, 1933
14.	Jasper	Compston, William Sidney	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Harrington, Isaac M.	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Hetherington, Harry	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Keeler, Joseph Frederick	
		William	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	McDowell, James Robinson	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Parslow, George	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Tomlinson, Edgar	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Urquhart, Frank	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Wells, Walter Horace	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Whyte, Andrew	June 12, 1933
14.	Jasper	Silverman, Gerald	Dec. 11, 1933
14.	Jasper	Smallwood, Thomas Francis	Dec. 11, 1933
15.	Wetaskiwin	McMurdo, Charles Belle	Dec. 21, 1933
15.	Wetaskiwin	Anderson, Benjamin Duncan	Dec. 21, 1933
15.	Wetaskiwin	Howe, Hale Ethbert	Dec. 21, 1933
15.	Wetaskiwin	Kingzett, Frank	Dec. 21, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Harvey, Arthur L.	Dec. 27, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Zilm, Theodore	Dec. 27, 1933

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16.	Mountain View	Coates, John Jr.	Dec. 27, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Stagg, Charles Willington	Dec. 27, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Shackleton, Percyval Wesley	Dec. 27, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Fisher, Christopher Edwards	Dec. 27, 1933
18.	Britannia	Way, Stewart Franklin	Dec. 7, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Murray, Willaim	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Spankie, Herbert Langtry	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Coleman, Frederick Herbert	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Bullis, Harry E.	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Barker, Harold	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Gilchrist, Henry Ira	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Kinnear, George	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Jensen, Martin Julius	Dec. 21, 1933
19.	Cornerstone	Robertson, Ralph Richard	Dec. 21, 1933
20.	Carstairs	Dumphy, William Herbert	June 8, 1933
20.	Carstairs	Kelly, Charles Frederick	June 8, 1933
20.	Carstairs	Taylor, William P.	June 8, 1933
21.	King Hiram	Edwards, David Alexander	Dec. 12, 1933
21.	King Hiram	McIntyre, William John	Dec. 12, 1933
22.	Corinthian	Dand, John	Dec. 5, 1933
22.	Corinthian	Hogaboam, Andrew	Dec. 5, 1933
23.	Calgary	Detwiller, Daniel W.	Feb. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Parsons, James Alfred	Feb. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Wood, Robert Harry	Feb. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Allen, Jeremiah Dexter	Dec. 1, 1933
23.	Calgary	Barre, George Albert	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Crawford, Thomas	Dec. 1, 1933
23.	Calgary	Gibson, Robert Alexander	Dec. 1, 1933
23.	Calgary	Gillespie, Warburton	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Gray, Andrew George	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Hayward, Sydney John	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Hughes, Frederick George	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	McCall, James Ferguson	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	McKenzie, Thomas Arthur	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Newcomb, Clarence William	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Oliver, Harry	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Root, Earl	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Salmon, Morely Cuthbert	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Sandercock, Frank Ernest	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Sharpe, William Herbert	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Smith, William Brown	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Tamblin, Earl Ramson	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Thompson, Hugh	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Warrne, George Stewart	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Wright, William George	Nov. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary	Young, Harold Albert	Nov. 3, 1933
25.	St. John's	Brown, James Black	Dec. 4, 1933
25.	St. John's	Armitage, John Clatyon	Dec. 4, 1933
26.	Sentinel	Stewart, George Wilson	Dec. 14, 1933
26.	Sentinel	Walker, Alexander	Dec. 14, 1933
26.	Sentinel	Naylor, James Herbert	Dec. 14, 1933
28.	Ashlar	Downing, Percy William	June 8, 1933
29.	Kenilworth	McIlroy, Charles Albert	Mar. 7, 1933
29.	Kenilworth	McDougall, Alexander	June 6, 1933
29.	Kenilworth	Trimble, Herbert W.	Jan. 3, 1933
30.	Summit	Antrobus, Fred (Sr.)	Feb. 2, 1933
30.	Summit	McKibbin, Alexander	Feb. 2, 1933

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30.	Summit	Slingsby, Sidney	Feb. 2, 1933
32.	Cairo	Strangways, Walter E.	June 20, 1933
33.	Stavelly	Linville, Edward Earl	Mar. 7, 1933
38.	Hope	Chrysler, H. Royden	Dec. 21, 1933
38.	Hope	Whitson, George H.	Dec. 31, 1933
38.	Hope	Pallister, Edwin Angus	Dec. 31, 1933
38.	Hope	Trentman, Joseph H.	Dec. 31, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Hume, Robert Marshall	June 15, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	McCuaig, Alexander Norman	June 15, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Boss, Arthur Jackson	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Mason, William	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Allison, George Wilson	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Capewell, Alfred	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	McLaughlin, John Kerland	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Charlton, Robert G.	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Anderson, Clarence Edward	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Eastcott, John Henry	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Eastcott, John Henry	Dec. 21, 1933
39.	Lethbridge	Brown, James B.	Dec. 21, 1933
45.	Ionic	Flitcroft, Cleveland Clayton	Nov. 30, 1933
45.	Ionic	Hartman, Marshall Stanley	Nov. 30, 1933
45.	Ionic	Lowrie, James Clazie	Nov. 30, 1933
45.	Ionic	Paisley, John	Nov. 30, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Curley, Thomas C.	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Ault, Allan Therman	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Shell, Charles McCune	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Vaughan, Walter Rudolph	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Bolick, John R.	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Edwards, William F.	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Edwards, John Roy	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Thomas, Charles Merrick Smith	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Malvey, James Henry	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	McKay, Donald J.	June 6, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Clayton, Albert	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Becker, George	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Ontkes, Dick	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Willis, Sidney	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Pattullo, William C.	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	McPhee, Horatio	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Reeve, Jack	Dec. 27, 1933
48.	Crossfield	Hall, Artell A.	Dec. 27, 1933
49.	Robert Burns	Davis, Albert J.	Dec. 11, 1933
49.	Robert Burns	Hyslop, William Kenneth	Dec. 11, 1933
49.	Robert Burns	Foster, Wellington J.	Dec. 11, 1933
51.	Unity	Cameron, Robert Alfred	Mar. 7, 1933
51.	Unity	Amundsen, James Edward	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Atkinson, Burton	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Freeman, James	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Harrold, Donald Manson	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Johnston, Angus	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Lorimer, Francis James	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Langtry, Percy S.	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	McCartney, James D.	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	New, Arthur W.	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Thompson, Hubert K.	Dec. 5, 1933
51.	Unity	Winkler, Gordon E.	Dec. 5, 1933

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51.	Unity.....	Wooll, William J.....	Dec. 5, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Jacobs, Albert Bernard.....	Jan. 9, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Pattemore, Reginald.....	Jan. 9, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Knight, Ralph Waldo.....	Jan. 9, 1933
53.	Strathmore.....	Johnston, Frank Oscar.....	Jan. 9, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Crichton, William.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Drake, Charles Lowe.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Kimball, Alonzo Shirley.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Maxey, William Macdonald ..	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Nesmith, Andrew.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Whipple, Harold M.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Woods, William Robert Lance.....	Mar. 14, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Bruce, Albert A.....	May 9, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Cleaver, Albert Charles Matthew.....	May 9, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Hennessey, Percy Robert.....	May 9, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Healey, Frank Gordon.....	May 9, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon...	Robinson, Robert C.....	May 9, 1933
55.	Bassano.....	Deitz, Albert.....	Feb. 14, 1933
55.	Bassano.....	Pool, Ralph W.....	Feb. 14, 1933
55.	Bassano.....	Travis, Richard G. Andrew..	Feb. 14, 1933
56.	Beaver.....	Peterson, Albert.....	May 3, 1933
56.	Beaver.....	Nicken, Claude Eugene.....	May 3, 1933
56.	Beaver.....	Hewitt, Charles E.....	Dec. 6, 1933
56.	Beaver.....	Dorrance, Wallace John.....	Dec. 6, 1933
59.	King George.....	Graham, Thomas.....	May 12, 1933
59.	King George.....	Hamilton, Walter.....	May 12, 1933
59.	King George.....	Appleton, Raymond John....	May 12, 1933
59.	King George.....	Bremner, Alexander M.....	May 12, 1933
59.	King George.....	Poppitt, John Edward.....	Nov. 10, 1933
59.	King George.....	Roberts, Lewellyn.....	Nov. 10, 1933
60.	Acme.....	Thompson, Alfred Edward....	April 9, 1933
60.	Acme.....	Reay, William.....	April 9, 1933
60.	Acme.....	Keeler, Russell.....	April 9, 1933
60.	Acme.....	McCook, Lewis.....	April 9, 1933
60.	Acme.....	Robinson, William James....	May 4, 1933
60.	Acme.....	Hotsenpiller, Harold Hansen..	June 8, 1933
60.	Acme.....	McInnis, John Edward.....	Nov. 3, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Crosby, Robert Alexander....	Mar. 15, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Thompson, David Melvin....	Mar. 15, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Aker, Alexander.....	Mar. 15, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Thompson, Josiah W.....	Mar. 15, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Waterton, William Albert....	Mar. 20, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Weaver, Frederick Albert....	Mar. 20, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Hawkesworth, John.....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Wickham, Herbert Victor....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Hanks, Arthur Jeffery.....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Heaton, John William.....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	McKay, Rudolph Edward.....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Redge, Charles Henry.....	Oct. 16, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Richards, William.....	Oct. 16, 1933
65.	Diamond City...	Currie, Cuncean Archibald...	April 6, 1933
66.	St. Andrew's.....	McArthur, William Currie....	Dec. 14, 1933
66.	St. Andrew's.....	Rollason, Ernest Harold....	Dec. 14, 1933
67.	Charity.....	Short, Henry Robert.....	Jan. 10, 1933
67.	Charity.....	Hooker, Earl Robson.....	Jan. 10, 1933

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67.	Charity	Cooper, John Andrew	Jan. 10, 1933
68.	Edson	Barnes, Louis C.	Oct. 5, 1933
68.	Edson	Leslie, John Arthur	Oct. 5, 1933
68.	Edson	Heslop, James	Oct. 5, 1933
68.	Edson	Kyle, Andrew Crawford	Oct. 5, 1933
71.	Tawatinaw	Milne, James Maurice	Feb. 1, 1933
71.	Tawatinaw	Mair, Charles William	Feb. 1, 1933
72.	Coronation	Bonsall, John Edward	Aug. 31, 1933
72.	Coronation	Copson, Harry Lee	Aug. 31, 1933
72.	Coronation	Rogers, Cyrus Edward	Aug. 31, 1933
72.	Coronation	Tinlin, John Smith	Aug. 31, 1933
73.	Brooks	Coates, Robert Aubrey	Oct. 17, 1933
73.	Brooks	Fairbairn, Earl Ritchie	Oct. 17, 1933
73.	Brooks	Jacobson, William Levi	Oct. 17, 1933
73.	Brooks	Knox, Robert Smith	Oct. 17, 1933
73.	Brooks	Marshall, Chester Hall	Oct. 17, 1933
73.	Brooks	O'Neill, Charles Mortimer	Oct. 17, 1933
74.	Vulcan	Kemp, Dudley Fitch	June 27, 1933
74.	Vulcan	Spooner, Arthur Gillespie	June 27, 1933
74.	Vulcan	McLeod, Duncan Ross	June 27, 1933
74.	Vulcan	Adam, Robert Roy	June 27, 1933
74.	Vulcan	Wenger, Harry Arnold	June 27, 1933
77.	Strathcona	Atherton, John	Dec. 8, 1933
77.	Strathcona	Moir, John	Dec. 8, 1933
77.	Strathcona	Dowley, William B. K.	Dec. 8, 1933
81.	Commercial	Goddard, James A.	Feb. 4, 1933
81.	Commercial	Taylor, Albert C.	Feb. 4, 1933
81.	Commercial	Gold, Louis Jackson	Mar. 4, 1933
81.	Commercial	Cairns, Thomas Rankin	Mar. 4, 1933
81.	Commercial	Smythe, John Earle	May 6, 1933
82.	Acadia	Nasmyth, William W.	June 6, 1933
82.	Acadia	Sterling, Charles W.	June 6, 1933
82.	Acadia	Oliver, Edward	June 6, 1933
82.	Acadia	Choppin, Amedee Hunter	June 6, 1933
82.	Brown	Brown, Samuel J.	June 6, 1933
82.	Acadia	Watson, Robert M.	June 6, 1933
83.	Zetland	Van Volkenburg, Arthur	Feb. 2, 1933
83.	Zetland	Maynard, Robert Burns	Feb. 2, 1933
83.	Zetland	Simpson, Kenneth Roy	Feb. 2, 1933
83.	Zetland	Cameron, Hugh	Feb. 2, 1933
84.	Champion	Adams, Adrian Ansel	Mar. 9, 1933
84.	Champion	Hundman, Chester Henry	Mar. 9, 1933
84.	Champion	Hopkins, Arthur	June 8, 1933
84.	Champion	Racher, Frank Spurgeon	June 8, 1933
86.	Rocky Mountain	Christopher, Philip M.	Dec. 1, 1933
87.	Crescent	Deakin, Bernard	Jan. 10, 1933
87.	Crescent	Gosling, Alfred	Jan. 10, 1933
87.	Crescent	Smeton, Joseph T.	Jan. 10, 1933
87.	Crescent	Aitken, Allen Dundee	Dec. 12, 1933
87.	Crescent	Parrish, John Tom	Dec. 12, 1933
87.	Crescent	Bentley, Ashton Vernoe	Dec. 12, 1933
88.	Wahpun	Hawkins, Joseph	April 13, 1933
88.	Wahpun	Walker, Harry Walter	April 13, 1933
88.	Wahpun	Mooney, John Stanton	April 13, 1933
88.	Wahpun	Reitze, Ernest Otto	April 13, 1933
88.	Wahpun	Churchill, David Strickland	April 13, 1933
89.	Peace River	McGavin, Charles James	June 14, 1933

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89.	Peace River.....	Hanna, Samuel H.....	June 14, 1933
89.	Peace River.....	Foss, Oscar.....	June 14, 1933
89.	Peace River.....	Harper, Ernest E.....	June 14, 1933
89.	Peace River.....	Jackson, Frederick Charles	June 14, 1933
89.	Peace River.....	Lowes, Henry George.....	June 14, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Gardner, John James	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Gordean, Edward Julius.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Mitchell, Vernon.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Lauer, Samuel.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	McLennan, Andrew Robert.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Laing, Matthew Campbell.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	Orr, Fred A.....	May 9, 1933
90.	Norwood.....	McDonald, Hugh Gerlad.....	Dec. 12, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Belfrage, William Christie	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Davison, Campbell Mitchell	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Glenton, James.....	June 18, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Lee, Fred Milner.....	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Tedford, Homer H.....	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Thompson, William.....	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Galland, Arthur.....	June 16, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Barker, Alfred Stanley	Dec. 15, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Dodge, Harry Edward.....	Dec. 15, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Gordon, George F.....	Dec. 15, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Libke, John Albert.....	Dec. 15, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	McLaren, John M.....	Dec. 15, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	Sanderson, Frank.....	Dec. 15, 1933
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Greenway, Albert.....	Sept. 14, 1933
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Wilson, Clifford Winfield.....	Sept. 14, 1933
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Whitton, William.....	Sept. 14, 1933
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Babiuk, Joseph S.....	Sept. 14, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Ferrey, Wilfred G.....	May 11, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Peck, John E.....	May 11, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Steen, Robert J.....	May 11, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Wight, Francis I.....	May 11, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Stuart, Douglas A.....	June 8, 1933
94.	Lamont.....	Love, Britton Innis.....	May 1, 1933
94.	Lamont.....	Kencke, James Lester.....	May 1, 1933
94.	Lamont.....	McDougall, Godfrey D.....	May 1, 1933
96.	Dynamic.....	Nicholls, Byard S.....	June 7, 1933
96.	Dynamic.....	Manderson, Frederick C.....	June 7, 1933
97.	Albion.....	Henry, Halley Kenilworth.....	June 1, 1933
98.	Hand Hill.....	Eilertson, Charles.....	Dec. 6, 1933
98.	Hand Hill.....	McKay, Ernest G.....	Dec. 6, 1933
98.	Hand Hill.....	Adams, William.....	Dec. 6, 1933
98.	Hand Hill.....	Hudgeon, William.....	Dec. 6, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	Dobson, James.....	Feb. 1, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	Rankin, William (Jr.).....	Feb. 1, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	King, William Harold.....	June 24, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	Merchant, Frederick E.....	June 24, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	Rossell, Charles W.....	June 24, 1933
101.	West Edmonton.....	Taylor, Algernon.....	June 24, 1933
102.	Edgerton.....	Milne, Peter Thomas Martin	May 8, 1933
102.	Edgerton.....	Hain, Alfred Ashton.....	April 10, 1933
102.	Edgerton.....	Hobroyd, Clyde Morrell.....	April 10, 1933
103.	Foremost.....	MacKenzie, Harvey Urquart	Dec. 6, 1933
103.	Foremost.....	Mason, William Fidelis.....	Dec. 6, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	McKenzie, Roy F.....	June 30, 1933

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104.	Oyen.....	Colston, Joseph.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Blue, Angus.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Holmes, Alfred Travis.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Gibson, Alfred.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Gibson, Arthur.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	McQuarrie, Lorne Athol.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Shields, John.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	McQuarrie, Daniel.....	June 30, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Wilson, Charles.....	June 30, 1933
106.	Lake Saskatoon..	Everton, Benton Ross.....	June 27, 1933
107.	Carbon.....	Ives, Frederick.....	Nov. 28, 1933
107.	Carbon.....	Boyle, Robert Atwell.....	Nov. 28, 1933
109.	Ancient Landmark	Johnson, John A.....	Nov. 1, 1933
109.	Ancient Landmark	Ballantyne, William John.....	Nov. 1, 1933
109.	Ancient Landmark	Olsen, Melvin Herbert.....	Nov. 1, 1933
109.	Ancient Landmark	Reynolds, Robert Henry.....	Nov. 1, 1933
109.	Ancient Landmark	Munro, Arnold A.....	Nov. 1, 1933
110.	Kilwinning.....	Wilcox, St. E. Murray.....	Dec. 31, 1933
111.	Nobleford.....	Luchia, Le Roy.....	Nov. 7, 1933
111.	Nobleford.....	Culley, Ernest E.....	Nov. 7, 1933
112.	Victory.....	Firkus, Albert.....	May 4, 1933
112.	Victory.....	Stead, James.....	June 1, 1933
113.	Cyprus.....	Eddy, Fred Frank.....	Dec. 20, 1933
113.	Cyprus.....	Fleming, Frederick.....	Dec. 20, 1933
113.	Cyprus.....	Potts, Henry.....	Dec. 20, 1933
113.	Cyprus.....	Rodgers, Charles Victor.....	Dec. 20, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Brown, Arch. R.....	June 1, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Gardam, Maurice G. H.....	June 1, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Guest, William L.....	June 1, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Henderson, D. E. F.....	June 1, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Trethowan, John.....	June 1, 1933
114.	Westlock.....	Westerman, Walter.....	June 1, 1933
116.	Spirit River.....	Lampert, Clarence J.....	Aug. 21, 1933
117.	Dominion.....	Porter, David.....	May 10, 1933
117.	Dominion.....	Greer, Wilson.....	May 10, 1933
117.	Dominion.....	Murray, James.....	May 10, 1933
117.	Dominion.....	Haughan, Martin J.....	May 10, 1933
122.	Rising Sun.....	Keast, Theodore.....	Nov. 29, 1933
122.	Rising Sun.....	Bauer, George E.....	Nov. 29, 1933
122.	Rising Sun.....	Souch, Marcus H.....	Jan. 11, 1933
122.	Rising Sun.....	Millar, William J.....	Jan. 1, 1933
123.	Rockyford.....	Best, Harry C.....	June 12, 1933
123.	Rockyford.....	Jukes, Claud.....	June 12, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Dobie, Charles J.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	McLaren, William B.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Munro, Allan.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	West, Albert E.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Clarke, Evelyn G.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Heighton, Stanley H.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Weldon, Robert V.....	May 6, 1933
124.	Concord.....	Olson, Bjorn E.....	May 6, 1933
127.	Granite.....	Baker, Conald R.....	Dec. 6, 1933
127.	Granite.....	McDonald, John Gordon.....	Dec. 6, 1933
127.	Granite.....	Marshall, Cecil B.....	Dec. 6, 1933
128.	Forestburg.....	Hardin, Harry F.....	April 26, 1933
128.	Forestburg.....	Webb, David Thomas.....	April 26, 1933
129.	Meridian.....	Cavenagh, Orfeur.....	Jan. 11, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
129.	Meridian	Herbert, George S.	Jan 11, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Currie, Theodore H.	April 5, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Garrett, John Royal	April 5, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Garran, Henry Edward	April 5, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Young, William Russell	April 5, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Hancock, Francis Arthur	Dec. 27, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Owen, Paul	Dec. 27, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Drysdale, David Allen	Dec. 27, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Peake, George	Dec. 27, 1933
131.	Kitscoty	Stephen, William Thomas	Dec. 27, 1933
132.	Craigmyle	Tadman, Frank	Jan. 10, 1933
134.	Renfrew	Ross, Sam Gibson	Mar. 13, 1933
134.	Renfrew	Williams, Geoffrey P.	Mar. 13, 1933
134.	Renfrew	Brown, John Edwin	Nov. 13, 1933
135.	Alliance	Pfouts, Ivon Deal	Feb. 1, 1933
142.	Ivanhoe	Whyte, Andrew	June 12, 1933
143.	Jasper Park	Zieman, John Robert	Jan. 12, 1933
143.	Jasper Park	Robertson, Donald	Jan. 12, 1933
145.	St. Alban's	McKenzie, Stanley	Dec. 27, 1933
145.	St. Alban's	Drummond, Malcolm	Dec. 27, 1933
145.	St. Alban's	Swinerton, John Crawford	Dec. 27, 1933
146.	Drumheller	Hislop, Thomas Andrew	May 16, 1933
146.	Drumheller	Butterworth, James Howcroft	Oct. 17, 1933
149.	Rosebud	Gill, Alfred W.	Dec. 13, 1933
149.	Rosebud	Houston, Roy Stewart	Dec. 13, 1933
150.	Donalda	Murphy, Cullin B.	Dec. 7, 1933
150.	Donalda	Richardson, Archibald T.	Dec. 7, 1933
153.	Whitecourt	Dahl, John	Sept. 6, 1933
153.	Whitecourt	Butler, John F.	Sept. 6, 1933
154.	Waskatenau	Hiscock, Victor	Oct. , 1933
156.	Hythe	Everton, Fred Eugene	Dec. 28, 1933
156.	Hythe	Everton, Ace Floyd	Dec. 28, 1933
156.	Hythe	Everton, Benton Ross	Dec. 28, 1933
156.	Hythe	Lacey, Frank Gambell	Dec. 28, 1933
156.	Hythe	McPherson, Robert	Dec. 28, 1933
158.	Berry Creek	Finigan, Frederick Elwood	May 24, 1933
158.	Berry Creek	McElroy, Charles Albert	May 24, 1933
159.	Lucerne	Whitney, Benjamin Earl	April 4, 1933

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<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
1.	Bow River	Craig, Hugh	Aug. 28, 1933
1.	Bow River	Palmer, Leonard S.	Dec. 20, 1933
2.	Medicine Hat	Allan, Thomas G.	Feb. 14, 1933
3.	Alberta	Snodgrass, William Gordon	June 21, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Archibald, Charles Mortimer	Sept. 12, 1933
7.	Edmonton	Shaw, Lansdown	Nov. 14, 1933
11.	Acacia	Duggan, Joseph J.	Dec. 14, 1933
12.	Red Deer	White, John Bryce	July 11, 1933
14.	Jasper	Hetherington, Harry	Dec. 11, 1933
14.	Jasper	Harrington, Isaac M.	Sept. 12, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Garrick, William Henry S.	Nov. 6, 1933
16.	Mountain View	Beaton, Donald	Dec. 4, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
18.	Britannia.....	Rigby, James.....	Jan. 5, 1933
19.	Cornerstone.....	Gray, Milford Ernest.....	June 19, 1933
21.	King Hiram.....	Barons, Ralph.....	Dec. 12, 1933
23.	Calgary.....	Wood, Robert Harry.....	Mar. 3, 1933
23.	Calgary.....	Gibson, Robert Alexander.....	Dec. 1, 1933
23.	Calgary.....	Warren, George Stewart.....	Dec. 1, 1933
25.	St. John's.....	Dunn, Roger Lloyd.....	Sept. 4, 1933
25.	St. John's.....	Hughes, John McKendrick.....	Oct. 2, 1933
27.	Apollo.....	Wilson, Charles Emery.....	July 3, 1933
42.	Bowden.....	Bentley, Thomas.....	Aug. 29, 1933
46.	Palestine.....	Schultz, Alfred Frederick.....	Dec. 20, 1933
50.	Comet.....	Shelton, Henry T.....	Dec. 27, 1933
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	Woods, William Robert L.....	April 11, 1933
59.	King George.....	Earle, Edward Justin.....	Feb. 10, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Markle, Wilford Carnack.....	Jan. 18, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Dalrymple, Wallace Elmo.....	Jan. 18, 1933
61.	Provost.....	Dunell, Guy Gordon.....	July 20, 1933
63.	Empire.....	Waterton, William Albert.....	April 17, 1933
73.	Brooks.....	Grafton, Wilfred Forester.....	Jan. 17, 1939
76.	Fidelity.....	Lidberg, John Evert.....	Oct. 31, 1933
77.	Strathcona.....	McKibbin, Robert.....	April 14, 1933
78.	Hanna.....	Stuart, Charles Brown.....	Mar. 1, 1933
78.	Hanna.....	Lamson, Maurice C.....	June 6, 1933
78.	Hanna.....	Thompson, William E.....	Nov. 10, 1933
91.	Patricia.....	McLeod, Norman L.....	Dec. 15, 1933
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Greenway, Albert.....	Dec. 14, 1933
93.	Symbol.....	Steen, Robert J.....	June 8, 1933
102.	Edgerton.....	McBride, Fred Clare.....	Sept. 2, 1933
104.	Oyen.....	Murray, James.....	June 2, 1933
107.	Carbon.....	Ramsay, James A.....	Feb. 7, 1933
107.	Carbon.....	Poole, William J.....	Feb. 7, 1933
129.	Meridian.....	Cavenagh, Orfeur.....	June 14, 1933
134.	Renfrew.....	Williams, Geoffrey P.....	May 8, 1933
142.	Ivanhoe.....	Crump, Edward David James.....	Nov. 6, 1933
157.	Sharon.....	Clarke, Arthur Gerald.....	Oct. 25, 1933
157.	Sharon.....	Hardy, William Robert.....	Dec. 27, 1933

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1.	Bow River.....	W. Little.....	R. Swift.....	143-6th St. N.W., Calgary.....	First Wednesday in each month.
2.	Medicine Hat.....	J. L. Trotman.....	W. H. Williams.....	406 Dundre St., Medicine Hat.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
3.	Alberta.....	W. R. Brooks.....	G. R. Davis.....	Medcoe, 402, Lethbridge.....	Third Wednesday in each month.
4.	North Star.....	E. H. Fleetwood.....	W. M. Edwards.....	P. O. Box 402, Lethbridge.....	Second Monday in each month.
5.	Cascade.....	H. A. Courlay.....	W. E. Ward.....	Box 70, Banff.....	Second Thursday in each month.
6.	Spitzee.....	C. F. Finders.....	W. A. Fraser.....	Pinner Creek.....	First Tuesday in each month.
7.	Edmonton.....	J. H. Reed.....	F. Barnhouse.....	Box 34, Edmonton.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
8.	Imperial.....	F. D. Stevenett.....	Jas. Laidler.....	Imperial.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
9.	Perfection.....	H. E. Harvey.....	S. L. McCracken.....	914-6th Ave. W., Calgary.....	First Wednesday in each month.
10.	Eureka.....	G. E. DeLong.....	Jesse Fraser.....	Lacombe.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
11.	Acacia.....	A. Bartlett.....	C. W. Lilley.....	1030-31st Ave., Edmonton.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
12.	Red Deer.....	Wm. Stuart.....	A. G. Ayres.....	Red Deer.....	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
13.	Victoria.....	F. H. Walton.....	H. N. Carcadden.....	Fort Saskatchewan.....	Second Monday in each month.
14.	Jasper.....	S. L. Macdonald.....	H. Sandilands.....	9258-91st St., Edmonton.....	Third Thursday in each month.
15.	Wetaskiwin.....	J. E. Fraser.....	Harry G. Smith.....	Wetaskiwin.....	First Monday in each month.
16.	Mountain View.....	A. J. Hamner.....	Dr. C. C. Hartman.....	Olds.....	Third Friday in each month.
17.	Nanton.....	T. M. Alexander.....	W. H. Allan.....	Nanton.....	First Thursday in each month.
18.	Britannia.....	H. B. Stewart.....	R. W. McWilliam.....	Ponoka.....	Third Thursday in each month.
19.	Cornerstone.....	C. F. Heseltine.....	John Miller.....	P. O. Drawer 5, High River.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
20.	Carstairs.....	W. O. Fredell.....	A. S. Gough.....	Carstairs.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
21.	King Hiram.....	C. S. Mortimer.....	H. Morgan.....	Didsbury.....	First Friday in each month.
22.	Corinthian.....	A. B. King.....	G. C. S. Paterson.....	Okotoks.....	First Tuesday in each month.
23.	Calgary.....	A. D. Vair.....	J. A. McBurney.....	915-19th Ave. W., Calgary.....	First Friday in each month.
24.	Vermilion.....	W. W. Bell.....	J. W. G. Morrison.....	Vermilion.....	First Monday in each month.
25.	St. John's.....	Wm. Hayhurst.....	F. W. Laing.....	Vegreville.....	Second Thursday in each month.
26.	Sentinel.....	C. Emmerson.....	H. O. Westrup.....	Hillcrest.....	First Monday in each month.
27.	Apollo.....	C. Mair.....	C. B. Morton.....	Stettler.....	Second Thursday in each month.
28.	Ashlar.....	J. Stevenson.....	J. W. Quinney.....	808-16th Ave. W., Calgary.....	First Tuesday in each month.
29.	Kenilworth.....	F. P. Galbraith.....	Rev. W. T. H. Cripps.....	Red Deer.....	First Thursday in each month.
30.	Summit.....	W. L. Borrows.....	A. M. W. Cooke.....	Coleman.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
31.	Doric.....	D. G. Marshall.....	J. Howell Jones.....	P. O. Box 116, Taber.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
32.	Cairo.....	D. A. Mouser.....	J. B. Humphreys.....	Clareholm.....	First Tuesday in each month.
33.	Stavely.....	R. N. Ralph.....	M. F. Malchow.....	Stavely.....	First Tuesday in each month.
34.	Star of the West.....	J. H. Terriault.....	A. G. Edwards.....	Leduc.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
35.	Mirpah.....	G. Esmonds-White.....	Rev. V. M. Gilbert.....	645-2nd Street, Medicine Hat.....	First Tuesday in each month.
36.	Gleichen.....	R. A. Brown.....	F. F. Bailey.....	Gleichen.....	Second Thursday in each month.
37.	Camrose.....	J. W. Russell.....	W. N. Crooks.....	Camrose.....	Monday, on or before full moon.
38.	Hopewell.....	G. H. K. Brady.....	E. J. Rossiter.....	Mannville.....	Third Thursday in each month.
39.	Lethbridge.....	R. W. Lynn.....	O. H. Edwards.....	P. O. Box 537, Lethbridge.....	Second Thursday in each month.
40.	Joppa.....	Jas. Still.....		Granum.....	

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41.	King Solomon	Thos Cairns	W. K. Hope	Cochrane	Thursday, on or before full moon.
42.	Powden	G. S. Beattie	A. L. Boyd	Powden	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
43.	Tucson	Ross Fox	Harward Smith	Killam	First Wednesday in each month.
44.	Buffalo Park	J. Robinson	R. W. Wright	Wainwright	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
45.	Ionie	W. H. Price	W. C. Tallman	Alix	Thursday, before full moon.
46.	Palatine	H. W. Lovell	A. J. H. McCauley	Tofield	Third Wednesday in each month.
47.	Chinook	G. E. Baines	M. A. Murphy	Cowley	Monday, on or before full moon.
48.	Crossfield	F. I. Baker	R. M. McCool	Crossfield	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
49.	Robert Burns	L. A. E. Starck	W. Dayman	Carmangay	Second Monday in each month.
50.	Comet	P. A. E. Martin	Wm. Gutowski	Hardisty	Second Thursday in each month.
51.	Unity	E. H. Mitchell	D. McIntosh	9832-107th St., Edmonton	First Tuesday in each month.
52.	Strathmore	S. C. Sorensen	W. S. Paterson	Strathmore	First Monday in each month.
53.	Mount Lebanon	Wm. Begrie	A. Lees	220-15th Ave. N.W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
54.	Pasano	H. W. Ford	H. H. Beeber	Bassano	Second Tuesday in each month.
55.	Beaver	Thos. Lane	T. A. Marshall	Castor	First Wednesday in each month.
56.	Grassy Lake	P. Patterson	W. E. McNevin	Grassy Lake	Second Thursday in each month.
57.	Chief Mountain	H. Darby	Wm. Betts	Cardston	Second Thursday in each month.
58.	King George	T. B. Donald	V. Cunliffe	1126 Kensington Road, Calgary	Second Friday in each month.
59.	Acme	E. M. Brown	M. Cattle	Acme	Thursday, on or before full moon.
60.	Coal	D. C. Bethune	Wm. G. Fox	Bawlf	Third Wednesday in each month.
61.	Provost	H. H. Shannon	N. L. Kvittum	Bow Island	Third Thursday in each month.
62.	Empire	G. E. Goodall	T. W. Bull	Kipp	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
63.	Diamond City	Joseph Mellings	L. Ferne	10433 Saskatchewan Dr., Edmonton	First Thursday in each month.
64.	St. Andrew's	G. H. Farrow	D. W. Mathers	Trochu	Second Thursday in each month.
65.	Charity	A. C. Patterson	Chas. Barrett	539-12th St. A. N., Lethbridge	First Thursday in each month.
66.	Edson	A. K. Leighs	F. C. Glover	P. O. Box 110, Edson	Tuesday nearest full moon.
67.	Connaught	B. W. Richardson	H. A. Meredith	Viking	First Tuesday in each month.
68.	Quarry	Cecil T. Hall	J. R. W. Cann	Redcliff	First Tuesday in each month.
69.	Tawathaw	C. F. Shoubridge	H. G. Shaw	Athabasca	First Tuesday in each month.
70.	Coronation	B. Hall	F. W. Fleming	Brooks	First Tuesday in each month.
71.	Brooks	G. H. Hook	Dr. C. E. Anderson	Vulcan	Monday, on or before full moon.
72.	Harmony	J. M. Scobbie	F. M. Anderson	Sedgewick	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
73.	Fidelity	C. E. Blakeney	W. J. Cumberland	Bashaw	Second Friday in each month.
74.	Strathcona	S. E. Pearson	H. C. Neal	1039-81st Ave., Edmonton	First Wednesday in each month.
75.	Hanna	J. Augustus	J. A. Marshall	Hanna	Thursday, on or before full moon.
76.	Morning Star	A. J. N. Chamberlin	R. F. Dixon	Box 35, Strome	First Saturday in each month.
77.	Excelsior	S. G. Smith-Gander	H. V. Phipps	10124-125th St., Edmonton	First Saturday in each month.
78.	Commercial	M. M. Dunswoth	Robt. Cockburn	Youngstown	First Thursday in each month.
79.	Acadia	T. R. Menzies	L. R. Martin	312-7th St., N.W., Calgary	Second Thursday in each month.
80.	Zetland	Geo. Cromie	C. R. Cameron	Champion	Second Thursday in each month.
81.	Champion	H. E. Smith	G. L. Depue		

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86	Rocky Mountain	Robt. Oakes	E. A. Harper	Blairmore	Second Monday in each month.
87	Crescent	Wm. J. Steel	M. Currie	607-17th Ave. N.W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
88	Walpun	J. L. Jansen	C. A. Walker	P. O. Box 424, High Prairie	Thursday, on or after full moon.
89	Peace River	W. R. Little	T. A. Norris	Peace River	Second Wednesday in each month.
90	Norwood	F. J. Bradley	W. Horrocks	12009-91st St. Edmonton	Second Wednesday in each month.
91	Patricia	C. E. Hooper	John Hening	Box 491, Edmonton	Third Friday in each month.
92	Saskatchewan	M. A. McIntyre	E. Hollingworth	9721-96th St. Edmonton	Second Thursday in each month.
93	Symbol	J. W. Harrison	L. A. Bennett (Actg.)	Drumheller	Second Thursday in each month.
94	Lamont	W. E. Henderson	L. B. Adams	Jamont	First Monday in each month.
95	Kitchener	H. N. Taylor	C. J. Hewitt	Rimney	Friday, on or before full moon.
96	Dynanic	Geo. Black	N. L. Campbell	Holden	First Wednesday in each month.
97	Albion	D. W. Parsons	E. B. Atkins	Chauvin	First Thursday in each month.
98	Hand Hill	V. J. Simpson	Norman Burke	Dela	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
99	Verdigris	J. A. Campbell	F. A. Barrtram	Milk River	Fourth Thursday in each month.
100	West Edmonton	N. Luciw	Wm. MacKenzie	12774-115th St., Edmonton	First Wednesday in each month.
101	Edgerton	G. I. Sawyer	H. C. Chapin	Edgerton	Monday, on or before full moon.
102	Foremost	T. M. Westbrook	E. A. Rowe	Foremost	First Wednesday in each month.
103	Oyen	D. A. Peck	C. L. Dunford	Oyen	Third Friday in each month.
104	Grande Prairie	C. Stedulinsky	D. W. Patterson	Grande Prairie	Third Wednesday in each month.
105	Lake Saskatoon	Walter Bond	A. E. W. Roberts	Wembley	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
106	Carbon	A. J. Church	S. F. Torrance	Carbon	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
107	Pyramid	P. L. Frost	H. N. Hanna	Lomond	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
108	Ancient Landmark	S. P. Griffiths	J. P. Webster	Mirror	First Wednesday in each month.
109	Kilwinning	A. P. Hunter	J. C. Loree	Innisfree	Third Monday in each month.
110	Nobleford	A. M. Sherwood	E. Rubie	Nobleford	First Tuesday in each month.
111	Victory	E. T. Williams	A. Christenson	Jarrow	Third Wednesday in each month.
112	Cyprus	Chas. S. Leroy	Wm. Harte	Three Hills	First Thursday in each month.
113	Westlock	G. D. McTavish	J. Wagner	Westlock	Third Thursday in each month.
114	Crocus	H. O. Hille	M. L. Chapman	Chinook	Wednesday, on or after full moon.
115	Spirit River	N. J. Morris	A. C. Egan	Spirit River	Third Monday in each month.
116	Dominion	L. L. Lister	W. W. Ward	10228-107th St. Edmonton	Second Wednesday in each month.
117	St. Mark's	G. A. Guthrie	R. W. Price	1824-15th St. S.W. Calgary	Second Monday in each month.
118	York	G. A. Thompson	Dr. A. Cherry	Box 301, Lethbridge	First Tuesday in each month.
119	Monitor	M. C. Walls	A. L. Todd	Monitor	Thursday, on or after full moon.
120	Clive	M. C. Coote	H. B. Scott	Clive	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
121	Rising Sun	Wm. Dean	David Drinnan	Gadsby	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
122	Rockyford	C. Bradwell	C. R. Walrod	Rockyford	Second Monday in each month.
123	Concord	J. R. Welton	Geo. Hunter	801-7th Ave. W., Calgary	First Saturday in each month.
124	Cavell	M. J. Manning	G. W. Spiers	Delburne	Thursday, on or before full moon.
125	Panbina	H. V. Kerr	E. Dumbrell	Sengudo	First Monday in each month.
126	Granite	H. Springer	H. Andrews	Blackie	First Wednesday in each month.
127	Forestburg	K. L. Oberg	Hans Valden	Forestburg	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
128	Meridian	A. E. Michael	Joan Malloch	Stoney Plain	Second Wednesday in each month.
129	Husar	E. J. Bell	S. J. McAllister	Husar	Second Monday in each month.

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131.	Kitscoty.....	John Leighton.....	I. G. Inglis.....	Kitscoty.....	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
132.	Craigmyle.....	Ed. Nelson.....	J. D. J. McDonald.....	Craigmyle.....	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
133.	Manyberries.....	L. B. Thompson.....	W. L. Yorke.....	Manyberries.....	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
134.	Renfrew.....	J. A. Lindsay.....	C. N. B. Lait.....	235-15th Ave. N.W., Calgary.....	Second Monday in each month.
135.	Alliance.....	John Buckland.....	W. N. Bates.....	Alliance.....	First Wednesday in each month.
136.	Cresset.....	C. F. Lohrke.....	J. A. Gow.....	Karons.....	First Monday in each month.
137.	Irricana.....	S. C. Yeoman.....	J. H. Goldwell.....	Kathryn.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
138.	Onoway.....	A. A. Pound.....	E. T. Longman.....	Onoway.....	First Wednesday in each month.
139.	Melrose.....	B. C. Duncan.....	K. J. Anderson.....	Daysland.....	Second Tuesday in each month.
140.	Big Valley.....	J. G. Ormrod.....	Frank Dewar.....	Big Valley.....	First Tuesday in each month.
141.	Efficiency.....	C. E. Garnett.....	J. H. Cochrane.....	Hugenden.....	First Monday in each month.
142.	Ivanhoe.....	J. B. Snape.....	M. C. Wright.....	4908-113th St., Edmonton.....	First Monday in each month.
143.	Jasper Park.....	G. A. Trapp.....	A. T. Gray.....	P. O. Box 133, Jasper.....	Second Thursday in each month.
144.	Gratton.....	Wm. G. Fuller.....	J. Fletcher.....	Ima.....	Third Thursday in each month.
145.	St. Alban's.....	W. Gouge.....	W. J. Chester.....	St. Paul Box 107.....	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
146.	Drumheller.....	J. D. Forgie.....	V. W. R. B. Ball.....	Drumheller.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
147.	Northland.....	Frank Kidd.....	E. J. Martin.....	Fairview.....	Thursday, on or before full moon.
148.	Mayerthorpe.....	T. J. Bezold.....	Ralph Kidd.....	Balm.....	Second Thursday in each month.
149.	Rosebud.....	E. A. Winter.....	Geo. Stafford.....	Box 25, Rosebud.....	Second Monday in each month.
150.	Donalda.....	H. F. Feuske.....	E. W. Grice.....	Donalda.....	Third Tuesday in each month.
151.	Lochnern.....	W. J. T. Strong.....	A. W. Brockman.....	Roady Mountain House.....	Third Monday in each month.
152.	Standard.....	H. C. Merrifield.....	E. A. Wagler.....	Standard.....	First Wednesday in each month.
153.	Waskatenau.....	J. O. Olsen.....	T. G. Govenlock.....	Waskatenau.....	First Wednesday in each month.
154.	Earl Haig.....	A. E. Goode.....	Thos. E. Jewell.....	P. O. Box 48, Waskatenau.....	Second Wednesday in each month.
155.	Hythe.....	J. H. McCann.....	J. F. V. Coe.....	Burhead.....	Last Thursday in each month.
156.	Sharon.....	R. A. E. Russell.....	A. F. Clark.....	Hythe.....	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
157.	Berry Creek.....	R. W. Summerbell.....	H. Arthur.....	Wardon.....	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
158.	Lucerne.....	Jas. Rose.....	H. P. Herd.....	Vauxhall.....	First Tuesday in each month.
159.	Sexsmith.....	L. R. Ganey.....	J. J. Marshall.....	Sexsmith.....	Second Wednesday in each month.
160.			Dr. I. C. Bruce.....		

TABULAR STATEMENT OF LODGES

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No.	Lodge	Dec. 31, 1932	Degrees			Joined	Reinstated	Decrease				Dec. 31, 1933	Increase	Decrease
			Initiated	Passed	Raised			Dimit	N.P.D.	U.M.C.	Died			
1	Bow River.....	266	..	..	..	..	2	11	22	..	3	232	..	34
2	Medicine Hat...	255	7	6	6	4	1	1	1	..	2	263	8	..
3	Alberta.....	89	2	1	1	3	1	3	1	..	1	90	1	..
4	North Star.....	252	3	3	3	..	..	3	4	1	4	243	..	9
5	Cascade.....	165	1	1	1	1	..	7	..	..	2	158	..	7
6	Spitzie.....	79	1	1	..	2	..	1	9	..	3	69	..	10
7	Edmonton.....	301	4	4	4	4	2	4	25	..	3	279	..	22
8	Innisfail.....	75	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	74	..	1
9	Perfection.....	407	1	1	1	3	..	3	8	..	6	394	..	13
10	Eureka.....	120	..	..	3	5	..	3	..	..	..	122	2	..
11	Acacia.....	193	4	4	3	2	1	4	8	..	2	186	..	7
12	Red Deer.....	130	2	1	1	1	1	4	5	..	1	124	..	6
13	Victoria.....	59	..	..	..	..	..	2	9	..	..	48	..	11
14	Jasper.....	176	2	4	4	1	2	1	12	..	4	164	..	12
15	Wetaskiwin.....	110	2	2	3	1	..	2	4	..	..	107	..	3
16	Mountain View..	78	1	1	1	2	2	2	6	1	..	74	..	4
17	Nanton.....	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	89	..	1
18	Britannia.....	83	2	2	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	85	2	..
19	Cornerstone.....	158	1	1	1	1	1	3	9	..	4	145	..	13
20	Carstairs.....	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	44	..	4
21	King Hiram.....	94	3	3	3	1	1	3	2	..	2	92	..	2
22	Corinthian.....	162	8	8	5	2	..	3	2	..	2	165	3	..
23	Calgary.....	229	..	1	1	3	3	7	25	..	..	203	..	26
24	Vermilion.....	109	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	110	1	..
25	St. John's.....	118	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	..	1	121	3	..
26	Sentinel.....	72	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	67	..	5
27	Apollo.....	113	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	112	..	1
28	Ashlar.....	205	..	..	..	1	..	12	1	..	3	190	..	15
29	Kenilworth.....	99	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	96	..	3
30	Summit.....	59	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	56	..	3
31	Doric.....	54	2	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	52	..	2
32	Cairo.....	76	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	74	..	2
33	Stavely.....	58	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	55	..	3
34	Star of the West..	62	2	2	2	1	..	1	..	..	1	63	1	..
35	Mizpah.....	142	1	1	1	2	..	4	..	..	2	139	..	3
36	Gleichen.....	90	2	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	94	4	..
37	Camrose.....	104	1	1	1	2	..	4	..	..	1	102	..	2
38	Hope.....	46	5	3	2	..	..	3	4	..	..	44	..	2
39	Lethbridge.....	168	1	1	1	2	..	2	11	..	2	156	..	12
40	Joppa.....	53	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	49	..	4
41	King Solomon.....	40	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	39	..	1
42	Bowden.....	50	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	50	..	..
43	Tuscan.....	63	1	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	64	1	..
44	Buffalo Park.....	74	1	2	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	74	..	..

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45	Ionic.....	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	32	..	4
46	Palestine.....	59	1	1	1	1	1	3	..	..	2	58	..	1
47	Chinook.....	39	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	38	..	1
48	Crossfield.....	74	1	..	..	..	..	2	18	..	2	53	..	21
49	Robert Burns.....	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	33	..	3
50	Comet.....	36	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	..	35	..	1
51	Unity.....	430	2	2	2	1	..	5	13	..	7	408	..	22
53	Strathmore.....	84	1	2	2	2	..	2	4	..	3	78	..	6
54	Mount Lebanon.....	220	2	2	3	..	1	1	12	..	..	210	..	10
55	Bassano.....	80	2	2	2	2	..	1	3	..	1	79	..	1
56	Beaver.....	71	2	2	2	1	..	2	4	..	2	66	..	5
57	Grassy Lake.....	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38	..	..
58	Chief Mountain.....	38	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	38	..	..
59	King George.....	311	1	1	1	2	1	7	6	..	4	298	..	13
60	Acme.....	58	1	1	3	..	..	2	7	..	..	50	..	8
61	Provost.....	55	2	2	2	1	3	2	4	..	1	54	..	1
62	Coal.....	25	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	27	2	..
63	Empire.....	155	..	..	1	..	1	3	9	..	..	144	..	11
64	Bow Island.....	67	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	66	..	1
65	Diamond City.....	41	3	3	3	1	..	1	1	..	1	43	2	..
66	St. Andrews.....	60	4	5	4	1	..	2	2	..	..	61	1	..
67	Charity.....	83	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	79	..	4
68	Edson.....	149	2	3	3	1	..	2	4	..	1	145	..	4
69	Connaught.....	44	..	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	42	..	2
70	Quarry.....	45	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	43	..	2
71	Tawatinaw.....	47	2	3	3	..	..	1	2	..	1	45	..	2
72	Coronation.....	108	..	..	..	..	..	5	4	..	1	98	..	10
73	Brooks.....	103	1	1	..	1	1	2	6	..	..	98	..	5
74	Vulcan.....	100	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	94	..	6
75	Harmony.....	37	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	38	1	..
76	Fidelity.....	77	4	4	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	81	4	..
77	Strathcona.....	172	3	3	3	2	1	3	3	..	3	169	..	3
78	Hanna.....	80	2	3	3	1	3	1	..	..	..	85	5	..
79	Morning Star.....	34	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	34	..	..
80	Excelsior.....	27	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	26	..	1
81	Commercial.....	187	4	3	3	6	..	6	5	..	1	185	..	2
82	Acadia.....	56	1	1	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	50	..	6
83	Zetland.....	233	2	2	3	6	..	5	4	..	2	230	..	3
84	Champion.....	56	..	..	..	3	..	..	4	..	1	54	..	2
86	Rocky Mountain.....	68	1	1	1	..	..	2	1	..	1	65	..	3
87	Crescent.....	248	1	1	1	4	..	9	6	..	5	233	..	15
88	Wahpun.....	45	1	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	41	..	4
89	Peace River.....	67	..	..	..	4	..	1	6	..	1	63	..	4

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90	Norwood.....	114	..	..	..	2	..	4	8	..	1	103	..	11
91	Patricia.....	335	1	1	1	..	1	17	13	..	3	304	..	31
92	Saskatchewan...	108	4	4	3	2	1	1	4	..	..	110	2	..
93	Symbol.....	174	3	3	4	2	1	5	5	..	2	168	..	6
94	Lamont.....	52	..	1	1	1	..	2	3	..	..	48	..	4
95	Kitchener.....	30	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	29	..	1
96	Dynamic.....	41	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	38	..	3
97	Albion.....	32	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	1	30	..	2
98	Hand Hill.....	48	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	43	..	5
100	Verdigris.....	58	1	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	60	2	..
101	West Edmonton	122	3	3	5	..	..	2	6	..	..	117	..	5
102	Edgerton.....	29	1	1	1	..	1	2	3	..	1	25	..	4
103	Foremost.....	28	1	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	1	34	..	4
104	Oyen.....	67	..	..	..	..	1	2	10	..	..	56	..	11
105	Grande Prairie..	100	1	1	1	..	..	5	..	..	1	95	..	5
106	Lake Saskatoon.	50	2	2	2	2	..	2	1	..	..	51	1	..
107	Carbon.....	48	6	6	6	4	2	3	2	..	..	55	7	..
108	Pyramid.....	36	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	35	..	1
109	Ancient Landmark.....	45	..	1	1	1	..	1	5	..	..	40	..	5
110	Kilwinning.....	31	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	29	..	2
111	Nobleford.....	27	2	2	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	26	..	1
112	Victory.....	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	25	..	2
113	Cyprus.....	54	1	1	1	1	..	1	4	..	..	51	..	3
114	Westlock.....	70	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	1	62	..	8
115	Crocus.....	37	1	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	37	..	..
116	Spirit River.....	70	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	68	..	2
117	Dominion.....	97	1	2	2	..	..	1	4	..	1	92	..	5
118	St. Mark's.....	112	1	1	1	2	..	3	..	..	2	110	..	2
119	York.....	113	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	113	..	..
120	Monitor.....	46	1	1	1	8	..	..	..	..	2	53	7	..
121	Clive.....	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..
122	Rising Sun.....	69	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	63	..	6
123	Rockyford.....	48	3	3	2	..	..	1	2	..	2	46	..	2
124	Concord.....	121	6	5	5	..	..	3	8	..	2	114	..	7
125	Cavell.....	43	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	47	4	..
126	Pembina.....	33	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	30	..	3
127	Granite.....	79	1	1	1	..	..	2	3	..	2	73	..	6
128	Forestburg.....	42	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	2	38	..	4
129	Meridian.....	42	3	4	4	3	1	1	2	..	2	44	2	..
130	Hussar.....	35	2	3	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	38	3	..
131	Kitcoty.....	42	..	..	..	..	..	2	9	..	..	31	..	11
132	Craigmyle.....	33	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	31	..	2
133	Manyberries.....	31	3	3	3	1	..	2	..	..	..	33	2	..

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134	Renfrew.....	134	..	..	..	1	1	5	3	..	2	126	..	8
135	Alliance.....	34	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	31	..	3
136	Cresset.....	35	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	34	..	1
137	Irricana.....	48	6	6	6	1	..	1	..	..	..	54	6	..
138	Onoway.....	29	2	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	30	1	..
139	Melrose.....	30	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	30	..	..
140	Big Valley.....	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47	..	..
141	Efficiency.....	31	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	33	2	..
142	Ivanhoe.....	167	2	2	2	2	1	3	1	..	3	165	..	2
143	Jasper Park.....	95	3	3	3	1	..	3	2	..	..	94	..	1
144	Gratton.....	39	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	36	..	3
145	St. Alban's.....	56	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	52	..	4
146	Drumheller.....	63	1	2	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	61	..	2
147	Northland.....	36	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	33	..	3
148	Mayerthorpe.....	32	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	32	..	..
149	Rosebud.....	26	1	2	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	24	..	2
150	Donalda.....	19	1	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	19	..	..
151	Lochearn.....	54	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	59	5	..
152	Standard.....	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..
153	Whitecourt.....	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	25	..	2
154	Waskatenau.....	17	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	16	..	1
155	Earl Haig.....	26	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	29	3	..
156	Hythe.....	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	24	..	5
157	Sharon.....	25	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	26	1	..
158	Berry Creek.....	39	3	5	4	..	..	2	2	..	..	38	..	1
159	Lucerne.....	21	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	20	..	1
160	Sexsmith.....	22	1	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	22	..	..
		13607	190	198	197	164	48	313	486	2	145	13063	89	633

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Illinois.....	Richard C. Davenport.....	Harrisburg.
Indiana.....	W. H. Swints.....	Masonic Temple, Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	C. C. Hunt.....	Masonic Library, Cedar Rapids.
Ireland.....	Henry C. Shellard.....	Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth St., Dublin.
Italy.....	C. Negis.....	Casella Postale 443, Rome.
Kansas.....	Elmer F. Strain.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Fred W. Hardwick.....	200 Shubert Bldg., Louisville.
Louisiana.....	L. E. Thomas.....	Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine.....	C. E. Leach.....	Masonic Temple, Portland.
Manitoba.....	James A. Ovas.....	Winnipeg.
Maryland.....	Harry C. Mueller.....	Masonic Temple, Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	F. W. Hamilton.....	Boston.
Mexico (York G.L.).....	A. P. Old.....	Apartment 1986, Mexico City.
Michigan.....	Lou B. Winsor.....	Masonic Temple, Grand Rapids.
Minnesota.....	John Fishel.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi.....	Edward L. Faucette.....	Meridian.
Missouri.....	Arthur Mather.....	Masonic Temple, 3681 Lindell Blvd., St.
Montana.....	Luther T. Hauberg.....	Box 896, Helena.
Nebraska.....	Lewis E. Smith.....	401 Masonic Temple, Omaha
Netherlands.....	A. F. L. Faubel.....	Hague.
Nevada.....	V. M. Henderson.....	Carson City.
New Brunswick.....	J. Twining Hartt.....	Ritchies' Building, St. John.
New Hampshire.....	H. M. Cheney.....	3 North Main St., Concord.
New Jersey.....	Isaac Cherry.....	Masonic Temple, Trenton.
New Mexico.....	Alpheus A. Keen.....	Albuquerque.
New South Wales.....	David Cunningham.....	Masonic Hall, Castlereagh St., Sydney.
New York.....	Chas. H. Johnson.....	Masonic Hall, New York City.
New Zealand.....	H. A. Lamb.....	P. O. Box 1209, Auckland, C.I.
North Carolina.....	John H. Anderson.....	Raleigh.
North Dakota.....	Walter L. Stockwell.....	Fargo.
Norway.....	E. L. Hansen.....	Nedre Vollgate 19, Oslo.
Nova Scotia.....	James C. Jones.....	Freemasons' Hall, Halifax.
Ohio.....	Harry S. Johnson.....	E. 5th St., Masonic Temple, Cincinnati.
Oklahoma.....	C. A. Sturgeon.....	Guthrie.
Oregon.....	D. R. Cheney.....	Masonic Temple, Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	John A. Perry.....	Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.
Peru.....	Abelardo L. Montes.....	P.O. Box 587, Lima.
Philippine Islands.....	Newton C. Comfort.....	P.O. Box 990, Manila.
Porto Rico.....	Jose G. Torres.....	San Juan.
Prince Edward Island.....	Ernest Kemp.....	P.O. Box 104, Charlottetown.
Quebec.....	W. W. Williamson.....	P.O. Box 3172, Montreal.
Queensland.....	L. P. Marks.....	Masonic Hall, Alice Street, Brisbane.
Rhode Island.....	Harold L. McAuslan.....	Freemasons' Hall, Providence.
Saskatchewan.....	W. B. Tate.....	Box 246, Regina.
Scotland.....	T. G. Winning.....	Freemasons' Hall, 96 George St., Edinburgh.
South Australia.....	Chas. R. J. Glover.....	Freemasons' Hall, N Terrace, Adelaide.
South Carolina.....	O. Frank Hart.....	Columbia.
South Dakota.....	George A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls.
Sweden.....	Yngve G. Wisin.....	Stockholm.
Tasmania.....	W. H. Strutt.....	117 Macquarie Street, Hobart.
Tennessee.....	T. E. Does.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	W. B. Pearson.....	Waco.
Utah.....	S. H. Goodwin.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	Archie S. Harriman.....	Burlington.
Victoria.....	William Stewart.....	25 Collins Street, Melbourne.
Virginia.....	Jas. M. Clift.....	Masonic Temple, Richmond.
Washington.....	Horace W. Tyler.....	Tacoma.
West Australia.....	A. E. Jensen.....	Freemasons' Hall, Perth.
West Virginia.....	Geo. S. Laidley.....	Charleston.
Wisconsin.....	Wm. F. Weiler.....	790 North Van Buren St., Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	Jos. M. Lowndes.....	Masonic Temple, Casper.

Elected at Its Foundation on the 12th Day of October, 1905, and Annually Thereafter

♣ Deceased

LIST OF LODGES BY MASONIC DISTRICTS

DISTRICT No. 1

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. Noble (118)

No. 1	Bow River	Calgary
No. 5	Cascade	Banff
No. 9	Perfection	Calgary
No. 23	Calgary	Calgary
No. 28	Ashlar	Calgary
No. 36	Gleichen	Gleichen
No. 41	King Solomon	Cochrane
No. 48	Crossfield	Crossfield
No. 53	Strathmore	Strathmore
No. 54	Mount Lebanon	Calgary
No. 59	King George	Calgary
No. 83	Zetland	Calgary
No. 87	Crescent	Calgary
No. 118	St. Mark's	Calgary
No. 124	Concord	Calgary
No. 134	Renfrew	Calgary

DISTRICT No. 2

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. H. Norman Davis (2)

No. 2	Medicine Hat	Medicine Hat
No. 35	Mizpah	Medicine Hat
No. 55	Bassano	Bassano
No. 57	Grassy Lake	Grassy Lake
No. 64	Bow Island	Bow Island
No. 70	Quarry	Redcliff
No. 73	Brooks	Brooks
No. 133	Manyberries	Manyberries

DISTRICT No. 3

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. John Thomson (8)

No. 7	Edmonton	Edmonton
No. 15	Wetaskiwin	Wetaskiwin
No. 34	Star of the West	Leduc
No. 51	Unity	Edmonton
No. 68	Edson	Edson
No. 81	Commercial	Edmonton
No. 129	Meridian	Stony Plain
No. 143	Jasper Park	Jasper

DISTRICT No. 4

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Chas. R. Bunn (29)

No. 8	Innisfail.....	Innisfail
No. 10	Eureka.....	Lacombe
No. 12	Red Deer.....	Red Deer
No. 16	Mountain View.....	Olds
No. 18	Britannia.....	Ponoka
No. 20	Carstairs.....	Carstairs
No. 21	King Hiram.....	Didsbury
No. 29	Kenilworth.....	Red Deer
No. 42	Bowden.....	Bowden
No. 95	Kitchener.....	Rimbey
No. 151	Lochearn.....	Rocky Mt. House

DISTRICT No. 5

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Chas. B. Sarjeant (62)

No. 37	Camrose.....	Camrose
No. 43	Tuscan.....	Killam
No. 50	Comet.....	Hardisty
No. 61	Provost.....	Provost
No. 62	Coal.....	Bawlf
No. 75	Harmony.....	Sedgewick
No. 79	Morning Star.....	Lougheed
No. 80	Excelsior.....	Strome
No. 128	Forestburg.....	Forestburg
No. 135	Alliance.....	Alliance
No. 139	Melrose.....	Daysland
No. 141	Efficiency.....	Hughenden

DISTRICT No. 6

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Max E. Malchow (33)

No. 17	Nanton.....	Nanton
No. 19	Cornerstone.....	High River
No. 22	Corinthian.....	Okotoks
No. 32	Cairo.....	Claresholm
No. 33	Stavely.....	Stavely
No. 40	Joppa.....	Granum

DISTRICT No. 7

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. G. O. Brownlee (103)

No. 4	North Star.....	Lethbridge
No. 31	Doric.....	Taber
No. 39	Lethbridge.....	Lethbridge
No. 65	Diamond City.....	Coalhurst
No. 67	Charity.....	Lethbridge
No. 100	Verdigris.....	Milk River
No. 103	Foremost.....	Foremost
No. 119	York.....	Lethbridge
No. 157	Sharon.....	Iron Springs
No. 159	Lucerne.....	Vauxhall

DISTRICT No. 8

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. G. R. Davis (3)

No. 3	Alberta.....	Macleod
No. 6	Spitzie.....	Pincher Creek
No. 26	Sentinel.....	Hillcrest
No. 30	Summit.....	Coleman
No. 47	Chinook.....	Cowley
No. 58	Chief Mountain.....	Cardston
No. 86	Rocky Mountain.....	Blairmore

DISTRICT No. 9

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Jesse Ruttan (72)

No. 27	Apollo.....	Stettler
No. 45	Ionic.....	Alix
No. 56	Beaver.....	Castor
No. 72	Coronation.....	Coronation
No. 120	Monitor.....	Monitor
No. 121	Clive.....	Clive
No. 122	Rising Sun.....	Gadsby
No. 140	Big Valley.....	Big Valley
No. 150	Donalda.....	Donalda

DISTRICT No. 10

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Walter N. Crooks (38)

No. 11	Acacia.....	Edmonton
No. 13	Victoria.....	Ft. Saskatchewan
No. 24	Vermilion.....	Vermilion
No. 25	St. John's.....	Vegreville
No. 38	Hope.....	Mannville
No. 63	Empire.....	Edmonton
No. 90	Norwood.....	Edmonton
No. 94	Lamont.....	Lamont
No. 110	Kilwinning.....	Innisfree
No. 117	Dominion.....	Edmonton
No. 131	Kitscoty.....	Kitscoty
No. 145	St. Alban's.....	St. Paul
No. 154	Waskatenau.....	Waskatenau

DISTRICT No. 11

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. F. J. Whitmarsh (49)

No. 49	Robert Burns.....	Carmangay
No. 74	Vulcan.....	Vulcan
No. 84	Champion.....	Champion
No. 108	Pyramid.....	Lomond
No. 111	Nobleford.....	Nobleford
No. 127	Granite.....	Blackie
No. 136	Cresset.....	Barons.

DISTRICT No. 12

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. F. W. Burton (92)

No. 14	Jasper.....	Edmonton
No. 71	Tawatinaw.....	Athabasca
No. 77	Strathcona.....	Edmonton
No. 91	Patricia.....	Edmonton
No. 92	Saskatchewan.....	Edmonton
No. 101	West Edmonton.....	Edmonton
No. 114	Westlock.....	Westlock
No. 126	Pembina.....	Sangudo

No. 138	Onoway.....	Onoway
No. 142	Ivanhoe.....	Edmonton
No. 148	Mayerthorpe.....	Mayerthorpe
No. 153	Whitecourt.....	Whitecourt
No. 155	Earl Haig.....	Barrhead

DISTRICT No. 13

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. O. Patterson (105)

No. 88	Wahpun.....	High Prairie
No. 89	Peace River.....	Peace River
No. 105	Grande Prairie.....	Grande Prairie
No. 106	Lake Saskatoon.....	Wembley
No. 116	Spirit River.....	Spirit River
No. 147	Northland.....	Fairview
No. 156	Hythe.....	Hythe
No. 160	Sexsmith.....	Sexsmith

DISTRICT No. 14

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. E. A. Cavanaugh (132)

No. 78	Hanna.....	Hanna
No. 82	Acadia.....	Youngstown
No. 98	Hand Hill.....	Delia
No. 104	Oyen.....	Oyen
No. 115	Crocus.....	Chinook
No. 132	Craigmyle.....	Craigmyle
No. 158	Berry Creek.....	Pollockville

DISTRICT No. 15

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. B. Snyder (66)

No. 60	Acme.....	Acme
No. 66	St. Andrew's.....	Trochu
No. 76	Fidelity.....	Bashaw
No. 109	Ancient Landmark.....	Mirror
No. 113	Cyprus.....	Three Hills
No. 125	Cavell.....	Delburne
No. 137	Irricana.....	Irricana

DISTRICT No. 16

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. S. F. Torrance (107)

No. 93	Symbol.....	Drumheller
No. 107	Carbon.....	Carbon
No. 123	Rockyford.....	Rockyford
No. 130	Hussar.....	Hussar
No. 146	Drumheller.....	Drumheller
No. 149	Rosebud.....	Rosebud
No. 152	Standard.....	Standard

DISTRICT No. 17

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. T. J. Chavasse (102)

No. 44	Buffalo Park.....	Wainwright
No. 46	Palestine.....	Tofield
No. 69	Connaught.....	Viking
No. 96	Dynamic.....	Holden
No. 97	Albion.....	Chauvin
No. 102	Edgerton.....	Edgerton
No. 112	Victory.....	Jarrow
No. 144	Gratton.....	Irma

RULINGS OF GRAND MASTERS

Approved by Grand Lodge

1. Question: In case of a Masonic trial can the Worshipful Master of a lodge act as counsel for the defence of the accused?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1909.

2. Question: Has a lodge the power to levy special assessment on members besides their regular annual dues, and to suspend members for the non-payment of such assessment if they pay their regular annual dues?

Answer: The constitution makes no provision for suspension except for non-payment of dues and for unmasonic conduct. While lodges may agree to assess themselves for any worthy cause, they cannot suspend the delinquent for the above mentioned cause.

Proceedings, 1916.

3. Question: Is a person eligible to become a member of a Masonic lodge by initiation, who has lost the four fingers of his left hand at the third joint, leaving the hand and thumb intact?

Answer: Yes: Proceedings, 1916.

4. Question: Is a returned soldier eligible for initiation into the order who has lost his left arm at the shoulder?

Answer: If you have a worthy petitioner, who has lost his left arm, but who is supplied with an artificial one so that he can comply with the requirements of the work, I would favor his acceptance into Masonry.

Proceedings, 1916.

5. Question: Has a lodge the power to withhold a Grand Lodge certificate from a newly raised brother until he passes a satisfactory examination in the third degree?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1916.

6. Question: Can a dispensation be granted whereby the degree of Past Master might be conferred as an honor upon a brother as a recognition of faithful service?

Answer: It is not within the power of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to confer the Past Master's Degree (honoris causa) on any brother, however worthy he may be. The brother can only rank as Past Master after having been elected to and faithfully performed the duties of Master of a craft lodge.

Proceedings, 1916.

7. Question: Can post cards be used for lodge notices?

Answer: All notices must be sent in sealed envelopes.

Proceedings, 1918.

8. A lodge cannot refuse to consider applications for membership for any stated period. An application in proper form recommended by two brethren and received by the secretary of the lodge must take its usual course. Proceedings, 1920.
9. A lodge under dispensation cannot grant a dimit to one of its members. Proceedings, 1920.
10. An Entered Apprentice cannot purchase life membership in a lodge. Proceedings, 1920.
11. Refused to grant publication of a Masonic Directory of the Province of Alberta for general distribution amongst members of the craft. Proceedings, 1922.
12. The Worshipful Master of a lodge has always right of access to the secretary's books, and is responsible to Grand Lodge for their condition. Proceedings, 1922.
13. Refused to sanction the organization of a Masonic Club at a town where no lodge was in existence. Proceedings, 1922.
14. Question: Is a lodge entitled to a refund from Grand Lodge of dues paid on account of brethren who were granted their dimits by the lodge five years prior to the receipt of application for refund by Grand Lodge, but of which no report had been forwarded to the Grand Secretary in the meantime?

Answer: Inasmuch as the semi-annual returns are expected to contain an accurate statement of the work and business done by the lodge during the term, and that these returns are certified to by the Master and Secretary of the lodge under the seal of the same, and are accepted by Grand Lodge as being accurate, as they have no other means of obtaining this information, the lodge is not entitled to a refund under these circumstances.
Proceedings, 1925.
15. Question: What is the standing of an applicant for affiliation who was accepted into membership without the usual certificate of standing or dimit accompanying his application?

Answer: An applicant admitted under these circumstances is admitted irregularly and therefore could not be considered a member. Proceedings, 1925.
16. Question: Is a ballot, which was taken in September of last year, in accordance with the requirements of our constitution as prior to June 12th, regular, the W.M. not being aware of any change in the constitution?

Answer: Inasmuch as the ballot was taken in accordance with the constitution as understood by the W.M. at the time of balloting, it should stand as taken.
Proceedings, 1925.

17. Question: Is a brother who has received the Past Master's degree in a Royal Arch Chapter entitled to be present while the Installed Master's degree is being conferred upon the W.M. elect?
- Answer: A lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta can recognize only those degrees which have been conferred by lodges under this jurisdiction or, as is expressly provided for by our constitution, by lodges under some other Grand Jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Jurisdiction. In no case will this Grand Jurisdiction admit to participation in its degrees a person who has received such degrees in a Royal Arch Chapter or in any other body conferring other than the first three degrees of Masonry. There are other reasons which cannot be fully explained, inherent in the degree of Installed Master, which would not permit of a brother being present who was not either a Past Master or one duly elected to that office. It was therefore ruled that the brother was not entitled to sit in lodge while the Installed Master's degree was being conferred. Proceedings, 1925.
18. Question: What is the status of a brother who was formerly a member of a lodge in this jurisdiction which surrendered its charter?
- Answer: All members of a lodge who are in good standing at the date of the surrender of its charter and whose dues have been paid in full are entitled to and shall receive from the Grand Secretary a certificate of that fact, which certificate shall have the same effect as a dimit issued by an existing lodge. Proceedings, 1925.
19. Question: May the first degree be conferred by a lodge other than that in which the candidate was accepted?
- Answer: No. The lodge accepting the applicant must confer at least the first degree. Proceedings, 1925.
20. Question: Is a brother eligible for affiliation who holds a dimit and resides outside this Grand Jurisdiction?
- Answer: Yes. His place of residence does not apply in case of affiliation. Proceedings, 1925.
21. Question: Is it correct or permissible to receive written nominations as is the custom at Grand Lodge elections?
- Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1925.
22. Question: Can a Worshipful Master order a regularly put and carried resolution to be expunged from the minute book without a further resolution giving consent of his lodge?
- Answer: No. Proceedings, 1929.
23. Question: Can a lodge ballot on a petitioner without his name and other particulars being first spread on the lodge notice?
- Answer: No, regardless of any necessity for speedy action. Proceedings, 1929.

24. Question: Can a member of a lodge be disciplined for continuously absenting himself from his lodge meetings?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
25. Question: If a committee appointed on the application of a brother, who has been suspended N.P.D., reports unfavorably, has the W.M. power to declare him rejected?
Answer: No. Lodge must make decision and by written ballot. Proceedings, 1931.
26. Question: Re notice of motion, if brother giving notice is absent, may any other brother present the motion?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
27. Question: Re notice of motion, in case no other brother wishes to present the motion, can matter be laid over until the following regular meeting?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
28. Question: Re notice of motion, can matter be brought up again without new notice of motion?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
29. Question: Has a Past Master who has been made an Honorary Member of his lodge the right to vote in his lodge?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
30. Question: Can a lodge receive and act on an application of a candidate of foreign birth, who does not understand our language?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
31. Question: Can a candidate, who has received the first degree, be passed and raised in any other Rite than that in which he was initiated?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
32. Question: Can an application be received from one who has been absent from the jurisdiction for two years, during the whole of which time he was taking post graduate courses, always with the intention of returning to his position and his home. In the two years he has not been resident in any Grand Jurisdiction long enough to qualify as an applicant?
Answer: Yes. He has not acquired legal residence in any other jurisdiction, and having returned home to resume the practise of his profession, should not be regarded as having lost his standing as a resident. Proceedings, 1932.
33. Question: Is an honorary member, not previously a regular member of the lodge, entitled to vote in Lodge matters?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1933.

34. Question: Is a brother who is a Warden in one lodge and a member in another, eligible for the office of Master in the other lodge?

Answer: No. He could not hold the office of Master in both lodges at the same time. Proceedings, 1934.

35. Question: Can a lodge charge a candidate with a physical defect the fee charged by Grand Lodge for a dispensation in addition to the regular initiation fee?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1934.

36. Question: Can a lodge use a loose-leaf binder for the permanent record of the minutes in typewritten form?

Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1934.

37. Question: In the case of a number of lodges using the same lodge room, may the lodge charters be hung permanently in the lounge room adjoining the lodge room?

Answer: No. The charter must be present in the lodge room when the lodge is meeting. Proceedings, 1934.

38. Question: Can a lodge hall be dedicated to Masonry when it is used by other organizations for purposes other than Masonic?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1934.

REPORT

of the

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

F. S. Selwood, P.G.M., Chairman

To the M. W. the Grand Master and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your committee submits a review of Proceedings of the following jurisdictions for the year 1933 and also two for 1932, as intimated in the subjoined list.

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| 1. Alabama. | 34. New Jersey. |
| 2. Arizona. | 35. New Mexico. |
| 3. British Columbia. | 36. New South Wales. |
| 4. California. | 37. New York. |
| 5. Canada in Ontario. | 38. New Zealand. |
| 6. Colorado. | 39. North Carolina. |
| 7. Connecticut. | 40. North Dakota. |
| 8. Delaware. | 41. Nova Scotia. |
| 9. Dist. of Columbia. | 42. Ohio. |
| 10. England. | 43. Oklahoma. |
| 11. Florida. | 44. Oregon. |
| 12. Georgia. | 45. Pennsylvania. |
| 13. Idaho. | 46. Philippine Islands. |
| 14. Illinois. | 47. Prince Edward Island. |
| 15. Indiana. | 48. Quebec. |
| 16. Iowa. | 49. Queensland. |
| 17. Ireland. | 50. Rhode Island. |
| 18. Kansas. | 51. Saskatchewan. |
| 19. Kentucky. | 52. Scotland. |
| 20. Louisiana. | 53. South Australia. |
| 21. Maine. | 54. South Dakota. |
| 22. Manitoba. | 55. Tasmania. |
| 23. Maryland. | 56. Tennessee. |
| 24. Massachusetts. | 57. Texas. |
| 25. Mexico (York G.L.). | 58. Utah. |
| 26. Michigan. | 59. Vermont. |
| 27. Minnesota. | 60. Victoria, 1932 and 1933. |
| 28. Mississippi. | 61. Virginia. |
| 29. Missouri. | 62. Washington, 1932 and 1933. |
| 30. Montana. | 63. Western Australia. |
| 31. Nebraska. | 64. West Virginia. |
| 32. Nevada. | 65. Wyoming. |
| 33. New Hampshire. | |

The chairman desires in this foreword to express his sincere appre-

ciation of the assistance rendered by the other members of the committee; namely:

M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock.
 M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop.
 M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis
 M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell.
 R. W. Bro. C. V. Bennett.
 R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey.
 R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay.
 R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland.

Your committee trusts that its labors may be acceptably received by the Craft throughout the jurisdiction of Alberta and that more extended use of these reviews will be made by the lodges as a means of increasing the interest of their members in the general progress of Masonry. To this end it is suggested that on every occasion on which the office of Grand Secretary sends a message to the lodges, reference to this opportunity be made and also that the District Deputy Grand Masters whenever possible remind the lodges assembled of this storehouse of Masonic information. It is only by continually keeping the Craft informed and reminded of their opportunity that these reviews can become really and truly useful to the Craft at large.

Fraternally submitted,

F. S. SELWOOD,
Chairman.

ALABAMA

One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Communication. William L. Lee, Grand Master.

The usual custom is to engage in a program immediately prior to Grand Lodge opening at which are present officers and ladies of the Eastern Star. The Proceedings state that after the Grand Officers of the Eastern Star entered, the assembly sang, "I love to tell the story." Included in the Grand Master's address to Grand Lodge is a somewhat romantic description of the lady at the head of the Order. It is difficult to understand the attitude of some Masons to Masonry, pure and unadulterated, as it was handed to us by our Masonic forebears. Freemasonry is the direct heir and descendant of the primeval "Man's House" and from that early tribal institution we derive one of our landmarks, a pre-requisite to membership. So long as Freemasonry stands true and stalwart, alert and alone, without the semblance of an alliance beyond her orbit, will our Craft fulfill the peculiar mission which makes it unique.

Alabama was represented at the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial, London, by Past Grand Master John H. Cowles, Kentucky, who is also Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

Under the able administration of the Grand Master the operating expenses of the Home have been reduced \$28,000. He has endeavored to change the Home from a place of pleasure and leisure to a place of

pleasure and work. Financial reasons prevented the replacing of a case worker when the present incumbent resigned, it being the intention to replace her just as soon as an improvement is noted.

Bro. Lee attacked the problem of unemployment and general distress among Masons by appointing a chairman and a working committee for each district, who organized through the lodges, securing voluntary subscriptions of ten cents per member per month. Contracts were made with employers and unemployed and registers kept in the central clearing house in each district. In addition to this the committees carried on some educational work in the lodges with respect to the proper Masonic viewpoint of co-operation among members.

Two upheld rulings which do not hold in Alberta were: (1) A Grand Lodge officer is not eligible to hold office in a subordinate lodge, and (2) A brother is prohibited from affiliating with one lodge in one jurisdiction and retaining his membership in a lodge in another jurisdiction.

Many lodges found themselves so badly in arrears to Grand Lodge that a plan was developed whereby if part was paid up the balance was remitted. An extension of time was granted others with forfeiture of their charter as a penalty for failure to do something by the date set.

Economy decided against printing a correspondence report:

Lodges, 521. Membership, 30,927. Loss, 6,134.

M. W. Grand Master—Samuel A. Moore.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Guy T. Smith.

V.H.M:

ARIZONA

Fifty-first Annual Communication held in the City of Phoenix, Arizona, March 14th, 1933. M. W. Bro. Fred O. Goodell, Grand Master.

Lodges 38, membership 6,585. Net loss for the year 141.

The copper clad portrait of the distinguished looking Grand Master of Arizona is a decided novelty when one opens this volume of Proceedings.

Among the Grand Representatives, Alberta was not present.

Most of the Grand Master's address is taken up with affairs of purely local interest although he does comment in somewhat extended fashion regarding the dedication of the Washington Memorial at which he was present, and the Conference of Grand Masters of the United States. Tables of the amount of money paid by Masonic bodies in the United States for the Washington Memorial is a revelation of the amount of money which has been poured into this monument.

Regarding the annual crop of questions asked the Grand Master, he has this to say: "I am now prompted to make reference to the admonition to the Worshipful Master at the time of installation to diligently search the Constitution and from time to time to cause its contents to be read in his lodge that none may remain ignorant of the precepts it enjoins or of the ordinances which it promulgates."

The matter of non-payment of dues is carefully and sympathetically dealt with by this Grand Master. From his comments we take the liberty of quoting the following: "A good plan is for the Master of each lodge to appoint a committee of five brethren of good sound judgment to work with the Master and Secretary of each lodge. Assign to each officer and member of the committee a certain number of delinquent brethren for them to call upon; rare tact will be needed that the delinquent brethren may be saved to the lodge without loss of self respect that remains his last and best asset."

The Grand Master frowns on one lodge circulating others on matters which will require the legislation of Grand Lodge itself, particularly when such action is taken without the approval of the Grand Master. "At this time" he says, "I wish to state I find no provision in our Constitution prohibiting such circulation of lodges, but as such action is so suggestive of distasteful legislative log rolling tactics I consider such practice very undesirable. . . ."

The Oracle property set up by the Grand Lodge of Arizona for the care of tubercular brethren seeking the relief of Arizona's climate has apparently fallen on evil days due to the total lack of support from other Grand Lodges, whose brethren apparently comprise the majority of those taking advantage of the facilities offered. It is quite unfair to expect Arizona to carry a burden of this kind and we think they have used good judgment with all due respect to everybody concerned, in closing the institution to wait for better days.

The oration of the year by Albert Rex Buehman, Grand Orator, is along orthodox lines and deals with the underlying principles of our Order. We quote two statements, the first rather astonishing to us and the second one with which we whole-heartedly agree: "Our President, Franklin Roosevelt, is a much stronger and better balanced man through receiving the lessons of Masonry than he would be otherwise." The other: "Masonry has nothing for sale and no Mason now has, or ever has had, any pecuniary claim, or right, on Masonry for himself or his family. As the principles of Masonry are the profession of every good citizen so should their practice be a part of every good Mason's membership."

Arizona at one time did not publish any Report of Foreign Proceedings; last year they did, but again we note, presumably under conditions of depression, the report of Proceedings is missing from their book.

Next Annual Communication, Tucson, Arizona, March 13th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—Marquis L. Gibbons, Mesa, Arizona.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Harry A. Drachman, Tucson, Arizona.

A. M. M.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The 62nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was held at Victoria on 22nd June, 1933, with M. W. Bro. James Beck presiding and eighteen Past Grand Masters in attendance.

Alberta was represented by Wor. Bro. J. H. Greer. We were glad to notice that M. W. Bro. Kemmis, Alberta representative of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia sent greetings.

An address by the Grand Chaplain is reproduced in full. The subject "The Strength and Beauty of Life" is the work of a scholarly brother and is herewith commended to the earnest study of all our membership. There is one pregnant paragraph which we must quote:

"If we are going to be potential men in this new day of reconstruction and re-awakening. . . . If we are to be equal to the opportunity afforded us. . . . not simply to make a living, but to make a life, and to make life worth living for ourselves and others. Then we must be carried up from littleness to full orb'd greatness, and be men. . . . star-crowned men, who, while not parading morals and religion, yet in all they are and do, feel the tug of the infinite and ever have the right frontage in life."

We hope that the motion recommending the reading of this address in all constituent lodges was duly observed.

Last year the Grand Secretary had conferred upon him the rank of Past Grand Master. This year the Secretaries of the constituent lodges of British Columbia presented M. W. Bro. DeWolf Smith with a Past Master's Jewel, the presentation being made by W. Bro. F. F. Fatt. The jewel is described as "handsome and valuable" thereby symbolizing the recipient.

The Grand Master's address covers seventeen pages of the Proceedings and like the man who wrote it, it is virile and dynamic. It covers the whole field of practical Masonry. The Grand Master started out his year with the expressed intention of limiting his visits to joint meetings. He ended up by recording fifteen District Meetings and more than forty-five visits to individual lodges. He hardly needed to furnish an alibi, but he went further and furnished two.

"(1) Owing to the strenuous times we have been passing through and the difficulties encountered by the lodges, I felt it my duty to give them all the moral support and advice in my power, to give them encouragement and cheer them through their difficulties.

"(2) That many friendships formed in past years with the Officers and Members of the various lodges, who desired to honour me as the Grand Master and show their attachment and loyalty to the Grand Lodge. I will refer to these visitations later."

Besides these visits, he presided over three emergent communications of Grand Lodge, one at Golden, B.C., for the purpose of laying the corner stone of a new Temple, one at Vernon for the purpose of dedicating Miriam Masonic Hall and one at Vancouver to welcome and entertain the officers of the Grand Lodges of Oregon, Washington and Alberta. He visited in Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. In his spare time he practised a little law.

Shortly after his installation he addressed a letter to all lodges in the jurisdiction in which he stressed:

- (1) Masonic Education.
- (2) Care in the building of temples and the wisdom of consulting with those who "know how."
- (3) Employment of lodge members:
- (4) A committee to advise on lodge finances and collection of dues.

(5) Keeping in touch with widows and orphans of members. These are only the high lights of an eminently sane, practical message. Evidently the response from the lodges was quite gratifying.

To assist in securing uniformity in the various works permitted in British Columbia, the Grand Master advised the formation of two Lodges of Instruction and these are now functioning. We have been looking for some step towards uniformity in British Columbia and here it is.

Reference is made to the Vancouver Service Bureau and to the excellent service rendered by it. We can feelingly add our tribute to this Bureau and to its Secretary, Wor. Bro. Shuttlewood. He has given great and valuable assistance to this Grand Lodge in dealing with our beneficiaries in British Columbia.

There are five interesting rulings by the Grand Master but one calls for special mention and is of particular interest in jurisdictions where dual membership is permitted.

"In December, 1930, Bro. A. was suspended for non-payment of dues by X— Lodge, and consequently also by Y— Lodge, of which he likewise was a member. In December, 1931, he paid his arrears to X— Lodge but not to Y— Lodge, and consequently he was not restored to membership in either X— or Y— Lodge. Was this an error on our part, and should he have been restored in both lodges?

"Answer—Under the circumstances as detailed in your letter, Bro. A. was restored to good standing in both X— and Y— Lodges on payment of his arrears in X Lodge."

We respectfully agree. The Grand Master with true legal caution precedes his ruling "Under the circumstances as detailed in your letter." Congratulations, M. W. Sir, on such a successful year of varied practical Masonic achievement.

The comprehensive reports of the D.D.G.M.'s indicate that all is well with the Craft and that they have discharged their duties ably and well.

Benevolent Fund Capital Account stands at \$334,985.06. Income account at \$14,497.68 and the sum of \$12,308.61 was expended. The total expended by Grand Lodge and by the constituent lodges was \$29,046.19. A gratifying item in Capital account is "Voluntary Contributions—\$3,950.42." We are persuaded that this amount would have been larger if the proper machinery existed providing an outlet for individual activity along these lines. We are trying to invent some such machinery for our own jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary reports a decrease of approximately 2 per cent in membership, the actual figure being 283.

The report of the Grand Historian is replete with interest and gives an interesting and probably an accurate explanation of the Scotch Ritual, so called, as used by some lodges in British Columbia. The writer was "made" in Scotland and the ritual used was practically the same as the Canadian. The Scotch Ritual as used in British Columbia is the same as the "York." The explanation apparently arises from the fact that in Scotland lodges are practically free to adopt their own methods. Settlers in British Columbia from America who desired to

use the "York" and being faced with the difficulty of applying to a United States jurisdiction for a Charter solved their problems by securing a Charter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland and thereby became entitled to adopt such ritual as they pleased. Hence the ritual became known in British Columbia as the "Scotch" because it was the ritual used by the "Scotch" lodges in British Columbia. The report is followed by the Histories of Mountain Lodge No. 11, Miriam Lodge No. 20 and Columbia, No. 38, and an account of Vancouver Lodge No. 421 S. D. in 1862 and 1863 written by W. Bro. Fatt. Space forbids extended reference and we must be content to urge all Masons to read these histories. Valuable work is being done by the Grand Historian.

Kitselas Lodge U.D. was granted its warrant.

R. W. Bro. William Grant of Grande Prairie, Alberta, was given rank of Past D.D.G.M. of British Columbia.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence comes from the pen of M. W. Bro. DeWolf Smith, written in his usual happy, pointed style. Alberta is given generous space. We were tempted to begin this review by dealing with the Report on Fraternal Correspondence. There is much in it on which comment could be made, but to have done so would undoubtedly have trenched upon the main purpose of this review. All who have the opportunity should read it.

The British Columbia brethren will be glad to know that R. W. Bro. Major Henderson represented them in London at the Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple with dignified presence. He will probably be too modest to say so himself. We think you should know.

G.M.B.

CALIFORNIA

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California was convened in the Masonic Temple, San Francisco, on Tuesday, October the 10th, A.D. 1933, sessions extended over four days. M. W. Bro. Frank W. Mixter, Grand Master, presided. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present and fourteen hundred and fifteen officers and representatives from five hundred and sixty-seven chartered lodges.

V. W. Bro. Rev. John Snape, Grand Chaplain, conducted an inspiring devotional service immediately following the opening of Grand Lodge.

Grand Master Mixter in his annual address reviewed the outstanding features of his activities as Grand Master and discussed many important problems and activities of the California Craft under his direction. His activities have been sustained and strenuous and the problems confronting him perplexing and difficult. However under his guidance California Masonry has made substantial progress. In addition to his duties as Grand Master he discharged the duties of Senator in the Senate for California. He visited some 37 districts representing 175 lodges, including a visit to the Hawaiian Islands where there are eight lodges. The only visit outside of his State was a visit to Medford, Oregon, on the invitation of the Grand Master of Oregon.

Among the matters more fully discussed in his report was the earthquake in Southern California on March 10th, 1933, the effect on the Craft in that part of California and the measures taken to relieve the distress and repair the damage done.

The Grand Master also sets out in detail the agenda for the Grand Masters' conference held at Washington, D.C., in the Spring of 1933. A perusal of the subjects under discussion indicates that these conferences are becoming very valuable to those privileged to attend. Along with this conference there is usually associated a conference of Grand Secretaries, which is being found equally helpful. In 1932 the Grand Secretary of California was authorized to attend the conference but later decided against making the trip. The Grand Secretary having completed 25 years of active service in that office was granted on the recommendation of the Grand Master leave of absence for three months.

On June 10th, 1933, the Grand Master addressed a communication of the Craft throughout the Jurisdiction forbidding until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in October, 1933, serving, dispensing or using 3.2 per cent beer in any Masonic Hall or at any Masonic gatherings. His communication was later confirmed by Grand Lodge.

Regarding Masonic Education, Grand Master Mixter expressed his opinion of the need of a proper agency whereby the lodges would be enabled to have as part of their regular operation something of a nature to instruct, interest, entertain and educate (Masonically) the brethren. We quote the reasons cited by him in support of that opinion:

"If we are to survive as a great fraternity, striving always to attain those objectives pertaining to the uplift and upbuilding of mankind for the betterment of humanity, and to continue to foster and promote those precepts and ideals so intimately interwoven in the fabric of our great Institution, we must do that which will give promise of guaranteeing its permanency, instead of permitting its possible lapse into lethargy and inactivity.

"In connection with our consideration of this subject it should be remembered that we are living in an era vastly different from that of only a short generation ago. Development in facilities for transportation, communication, entertainment and in many other important matters has been of such nature as to produce an environment and conditions vastly different from those in which our fathers lived. It should be borne in mind that the competition for the time of men is much greater than was the case only a relatively few years ago, and that if we are to hold the interest of the members of our fraternity we must do that which will keep alive in them the allegiance they owe to their lodges, to keep alive in their hearts the desire to attend their Masonic meetings and to lend their aid in carrying on the functioning of our Institution. For a long period of years following the close of the World War our lodges were busily employed in conferring the degrees of Masonry upon those who knocked at our doors and were accepted. We did this almost to the exclusion of all else, and now that there has come through the effects of the most serious economic debacle in our history, a respite as it were, there is presented in the situation prevailing today an opportunity which we must not overlook to do that which will keep our great fraternity in the forefront, where I am sure we all feel it rightfully belongs."

Regarding the reduction of fees for the degrees, the Grand Master expressed his opinion that the lodges should be very careful before reducing these fees. The question however was purely a lodge matter in the view of the Grand Master and his opinion expressed was purely advisory. From the report of the Grand Secretary it appears that over 100 lodges had changed their By-Laws in the way of reducing their fees for degrees during the year.

The Grand Master arrested the charter of one lodge because of factional activities continually disturbing the harmony of the lodge. The Grand Lodge approved the action of the Grand Master and ordered the arrest of the charter to continue until the Grand Master for the time being should restore it under the conditions laid down by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master submitted six recommendations generally of a financial or budgetary character proposed to be made applicable to the lodges. Most of these were not approved by Grand Lodge although they recognized the difficulties which the recommendations were intended to obviate. It appears to be a case of where collective wisdom of the Committee on Policy outweighed the views of the individual Grand Master.

During 1932 one hundred and ten veteran Masons received the 50 year gold button, the Senior Veteran at the time of the communication having received his Master Mason degree in 1869 in Iowa.

The Trustees' report on the Masonic Homes of California stressed the failure of lodges in many instances to measure up to their responsibility in the matter of caring for the orphan children graduating from their Covina Home and also to the aged members requiring assistance. The Trustees note a continued tendency to leave this responsibility entirely on the Masonic Homes either through neglect or failure to appreciate and realize the individual responsibility of the Mason to his brother and his orphans in such cases. The report of the Trustees on the Masonic Homes of California comprises 79 pages of printed matter and gives a very complete account in all its aspects of this Masonic charity. The amount invested in the two homes is approximately two and a quarter millions of dollars and the cost of operation for the year ending July 31st, 1933, including about \$46,000.00 for outside relief was over \$283,000.00. The Decoto Home for adults had 195 men and 164 women with 50 being in Hospital Department. In the Covina Home there were 171 children in residence. Outside aid was afforded to 118 adults and 84 children, making the approximate number of beneficiaries 732 for a total annual cost of \$283,000.00, excluding from consideration any question of interest on the capital funds invested in the Masonic Home properties. The report of the Board of Control reviews the activities of seventeen Boards of Relief. These Boards of Relief are located in the principal centres of population and function as employment bureaus and also in distributing relief to transient brethren. An indication of the extent of this work appears from the fact that the Board of Relief of Los Angeles expended \$354,000.00 in the last decade, San Francisco \$221,000.00 and the East Bay \$157,000.00 for the same period.

The Committee on Policy and General Purposes after reviewing the report of the Special Committee appointed at the previous communication to study the question of Masonic Education and the views and recommendations of the Grand Master recommended that this

committee be continued for further study of the problem to report at the 1934 communication. We quote from their report:

"This subject (Masonic Education) has been debated for many years in Grand Lodge and, owing to the very intangibility of its objective, has never been solved successfully. . . . The history of such efforts (Educational Work) shows general apathy on the part of Masons to educational efforts and we agree that such work should be left to the discretion of the officers. . . . We do not favor the adoption of any compulsory plan. . . . We believe that any educational plan adopted should be voluntary and adapted to the individual need of the candidate."

No Review of the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions was published in the 1933 Proceedings, the omission being an economy measure. We regret the absence of Bro. Whited's review and hope that in the near future California will resume their former practice in this regard.

Total membership 136,694. Net loss, 3,942.

M. W. Bro. James B. Gist, Grand Master.

V. W. Bro. John Whicher, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

CANADA IN ONTARIO

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada for 1933, including the review of other Grand Lodge Proceedings, affords a budget of interesting Masonic news and comment of educational value.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Communication was held at St. Catharines on 19th and 20th July, 1933. R. W. Bro. Frank A. Copens, Deputy Grand Master, presiding. M. W. Bro. Herrington, the Grand Master, was in London, England, attending the ceremony of dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple.

Alberta was represented by R. W. Bro. T. A. Carson and we are pleased to notice among the distinguished guests our own Junior Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay.

The Masters of all the lodges in Niagara A district were introduced and an address of welcome to Grand Lodge was tendered on their behalf.

There are several interesting highlights in the Grand Master's address. He speaks of a visit of Grand Lodge officers from the Grand Lodge of England some years ago and of his approaching visit to London and says:

"To be thus honoured by the Greatest Masonic body in the world places our Grand Lodge under an obligation to avail ourselves of the first opportunity of reciprocating in some measure their unmistakable gestures of good will and a desire to strengthen the tie that binds us to our brethren of the Motherland."

He makes pertinent and appropriate reference to the sad plight of the world, to the economic conference and ends on a refreshing note of optimism—an optimism not born of actual results achieved but of the "spirit" which is leading the nations of the world to escape from the depression morass.

Masonic education and the need of it is stressed and the following observation is worthy of reproduction.

"It is asking too much of the ordinary member to be regular in his attendance at the meetings of his lodge and listen night after night to the conferring of degrees and the regular routine of business and expect him to become proficient in the full force and meaning of what he witnesses when no effort is made to enlighten him."

He deprecates the publishing of the names of those who have been convicted of Masonic offences and suggests a revision of the form in which the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals appears in the Proceedings. We in Alberta have not published names for some years past. Salutory advice is given regarding Masonic complaints.

He suggests that lodges should publish their financial reports and so give the members an opportunity of studying and considering it and thereby promote intelligent discussion.

Sunday observance takes up almost two pages of the Grand Master's address and he sums up the Mason's religious obligation thus:

"I do not presume to prescribe any precise formula for any brethren to pursue in their observance of the Sabbath nor do I wish to dictate to you as to when or how frequently you should attend Divine worship, but I do earnestly appeal to you all to ponder well this subject in the fervent hope that the profession of faith made by us when we first entered the ante-room of the lodge, and so often reaffirmed in our ceremonies, may not appear a mere form of words, but a sincere and honest expression of our adherence to the first great landmark of Freemasonry, an unequivocal belief in God."

The Grand Master refused to sanction the formation and incorporation of a co-operative society composed of members of the Craft. Improper and contrary to precedent. Congratulations M. W. Sir on such an eminently sane practical address.

Six lodge rooms were dedicated, one corner stone was laid and nine Grand Representatives appointed.

From the very readable reports of the D.D.G.M.'s we quote.

"Some of our Past Masters have bewailed a seeming lack of enthusiasm in their officers and among their brethren; the problem is primarily their own; the D.D.G.M. sees the condition and may remark upon it, but the correction of it lies with the Past Masters."

This is by no means fiction and the Past Masters in all jurisdictions should make note of it and proceed to action.

One D.D.G.M. refers to the fact that some of the officers and Past Masters are not as familiar with the Constitution as they might be. This does not apply to Ontario alone and we are glad to see a D.D.G.M. indulging in this healthy, kindly criticism. This same officer had pointed remarks to make on the question of punctuality in the opening of lodges, on records which were not kept as well as should be desired, bad lighting in lodge rooms. He has a proper appreciation of his duties and more of his kind are needed for that important office.

Generally, the D.D.G.M.'s are to be congratulated on the excellent reports submitted, due recognition of their work being given by the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry.

Marked progress has been made in Masonic Education. Much of this work is under the direct supervision and direction of the D.D.G.M.'s which seems entirely fitting and logical.

Recognition was granted to "Lessing Lir den Drei Ringen," while consideration of an application from the Grand Lodge of Bahia in Brazil was deferred.

Grand Lodge expended the sum of \$119,025.50 on benevolence and estimated grants made by lodges amounted to \$125,000.00, an imposing total of \$244,025.50. The Committee on Benevolence has the following comment to make.

"We must remember that ours is not a benevolent or an insurance society, that we can only be expected to assist in supplying the necessities and that an already complex situation is only aggravated by asking consideration for applicants who are provided with the means to care for themselves. It would be of great assistance to your Committee if all our lodges realized where Masonic charity begins . . . and ends."

and again:

"We again emphasize that our dependents need, not only financial assistance, but more personal contact with the members of the lodge. A friendly, sympathetic greeting, a word of counsel and advice, does much to bring comfort and consolation to the aged, the infirm, the widow and the orphan."

The committee appointed to consider the advisability of changing the name of this Grand Lodge merely reported progress and the committee has been continued for another year.

Membership, 113,118. Decrease, 3,048.

M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary.

G.M.B.

COLORADO

Seventy-third Annual Communication, Denver, September 19th and 20th, 1933.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form in the Masonic Temple by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, George A. Luxford. Representatives were present from 135 lodges out of 147 chartered lodges within the jurisdiction.

Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. William S. Pickerill, was present as usual.

The Grand Master first paid a tribute to the brethren of the Craft who had amidst many difficulties kept the light of Masonry shining undimmed in Colorado. "There is a never-ending fascination in reading the splendid record our forebears made here. Having walked the ways they did, having seen the same plains and peaks and passes, having seen also the same old lodge rooms and grasped hands with those gathered there; let me say to you that their sons are still here, imbued

with the same old spirit that has glorified the record of the Craft in the Centennial State for three-quarters of a century. They had their problems to solve and they solved them. From the record we know what they did and how they did it. We have our problems. In the midst of a great emergency, the Craft is solving the problems of today with a patience and a fortitude, with a skill and wisdom, with a courage and determination which stamps them as worthy sons of those hardy pioneers."

"The light from our lodges shines out as of old, symbolic of that invincible spirit of this Craft which shall never, no never, die. This, my brethren, is the message I bring to you from the Craft throughout the Centennial State."

Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund has now reached the sum of \$251,-296.76. The Grand Master stressed the valuable service that the Fund is rendering under the conditions prevailing today, and gave due praise to the Committee in charge of the work, consisting of Bros. Herbert S. Sands, L. D. Crain, Arthur Ponsford, Ed. P. Eppich and Charles E. Keepers.

An amendment was presented to Grand Lodge that a Masonic Home be erected, but after a full discussion this was rejected. Colorado has adopted the same plan as prevails in Alberta, where beneficiaries of the Fund live in their own homes or with their friends. The plan seems to be working well.

The Report of the Grand Secretary shows a net loss of 861 members. The number of suspensions N.P.D. was 647, and appears very formidable when the names of the members occupy over ten pages of the Report. Two brothers were suspended for unmasonic conduct, and five were expelled.

The Grand Orator, Right Wor. Bro. Harry L. Baum, undertook to answer the question that had been asked him very frequently—"Why hasn't Masonry done something to help solve our present day problems? Why doesn't Masonry organize to promote world peace, or to elevate the poor and unfortunate and ameliorate their sufferings? In short, why doesn't Masonry bestir itself as an organization, and make the world a better place to live in for all of us?" His answer is that Masonry works on the individual, since to build the character of the individual reacts to the benefit of society as a whole. The Oration is well worth reading.

The Report of the Committee on Masonic Correspondence is presented by Bro. Stanley C. Warner, Chairman, and contains reviews of 58 Grand Jurisdictions. The Committee apparently consider it their duty merely to report, and not to comment. A great amount of interesting and useful Masonic information has been collected and set out in a very readable fashion. Alberta is given two pages of review, and quotations are freely given.

M. W. Bro. Howard T. Vaille, Denver, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. William W. Cooper, Denver, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

CONNECTICUT

The One Hundred and Forty-fifth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, A.F. & A.M., was held at the Masonic Temple in the City of Hartford, commencing

Wednesday, February 1st, A.D. 1933. M. W. Bro. Sherwood H. Raymond, Grand Master, presided.

There were twenty Past Grand Masters and seventeen Past District Deputy Grand Masters in attendance. The Grand Representatives of fifty-one other Grand Lodges were in attendance and were addressed by the Grand Master. Alberta's representative was not present. Grand Lodge was visited by a large number of distinguished guests from other Jurisdictions, namely District of Columbia, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont. Representatives from the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, R.A.M., and the Scottish Rite Body in Connecticut were also welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master's annual address is a record of his official acts and attendances during his year of office framed on the topical plan and couched in clear and terse English which makes very easy reading. There appear in it the summaries of the reports of the eight District Deputy Grand Masters for the eight Masonic Districts, from which it appears that the morale of the Craft is being maintained at a high standard and although there has not been a great deal of degree work that the lodges are keeping active in other activities.

The only decision reported by the Grand Master was a ruling or interpretation of continuous membership as used in the following provision of Connecticut Masonic Law:

"Continuous membership of a period of thirty years shall exempt a Brother from further payment of dues; and the Lodge of which he is a member from Grand Lodge per capita tax."

The Grand Master ruled that continuous meant uninterrupted; that the 30 year period referred to membership in a Connecticut lodge or lodges, provided in this latter instance there were no loss of time in the transfer from the one lodge to another.

Deputy Grand Master Samuel A. Moyle submitted a report of his activities either as representing the Grand Master or when accompanying him. Both the Grand Master and his Deputy appear to have spent a very busy year discharging their respective duties.

The remainder of the Proceedings consists of the report of the various official committees, most of which deal with routine matters and discuss nothing of general interest. The financial condition of the Grand Lodge as well as the lodges in Connecticut has been affected by the depression existing in the business world in their State and country, but they have come through without serious difficulty by the practice of reasonable economies without however curtailing the activities of the lodges and their benevolent institutions.

The Review of other Grand Lodges is presented by M. W. Bro. George A. Kies, P.G.M. This reviewer finds himself in full accord with Bro. Kies on the three points discussed in his foreword. Bro. Kies' Review of Alberta discloses a close reading of our Proceedings and the exercises of the faculty of selecting the high lights or important points, which of course is perhaps partly due to his long Masonic experience. The whole report makes very interesting reading and is by far the most interesting and instructive portion of the entire Proceedings.

Total membership 44,150. Net loss 1,597.

M. W. Bro. Samuel A. Moyle, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Winthrop Buck, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

DELAWARE

The One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Wilmington on the 4th of October, 1933. M. W. Bro. W. Stewart Almond, Grand Master.

No less than twenty Past Grand Masters with twenty-three Past Grand Wardens and three Past Grand Treasurers were also present as well as a large number of distinguished visitors from near by Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Master in his address mentions that he visited all of the twenty-two lodges comprising his Grand Jurisdiction, especially mentioning his own, Temple Lodge No. 11, in which his grandfather, who had been Grand Master in 1873 and 74 was a member. Now his own brother is Master. On the occasion of his visit, he, as Grand Master, assisted by his own father a P.M. of another lodge and six other relatives, conferred the third degree upon a candidate who was the father-in-law of the Master. Quite a family affair.

The Grand Master made no official rulings during the year, all questions being "settled by existing law." He referred to the steady growth of organizations predicated their membership on Masonic affiliation, estimating that more than 40 such organizations exist. These bodies are under no control or supervision by Grand Lodge and while he exempts those already operating in Delaware, he recommends that a regulation be established making it a Masonic offence for Masons to have any part hereafter in establishing new ones unless they have received the sanction of Grand Lodge. Such a regulation would seem to be rather late in the day. The Grand Master finds that a practice has arisen in connection with corner stone layings which should be discouraged. He says that organizations have in some cases requested Grand Lodge to lay corner stones of buildings which have partially been constructed. He remarks that old custom as well as the Ceremony require that the stone when laid should be the highest point in the structure then in the course of erection, so he recommended a resolution to the effect that Grand Lodge must decline to lay the corner stone of a structure after any part of the building normally supported by the corner stone is in place, which recommendaton was approved by Grand Lodge.

This Grand Master, like many others, calls the attention of the lodges to the fallacy of depending on initiation fees for funds to conduct their affairs. He says the present lack of initiates should conclusively prove to the lodges the necessity of placing dues high enough to meet the running expenses of the lodge, and recommends the adoption of a budget system. He finds the condition of the Craft in the Jurisdiction as a whole is in a healthy state, that although many of the lodges are faced with a lack of work they have arranged interesting meetings with well informed speakers and well planned entertainment, which have been most enjoyable and have increased the attendance. He suggests a continuance of this practice in order that we may make not only members; but real Masons out of our candidates.

The Masonic Service Committee in its report again recommends a plan which has been prepared by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia with due credit to the Grand Lodge of New York, which originated the plans, the essential features of which are that: 1. A committee of five well informed members be appointed by the

Master of the Lodge. 2. This committee arranges to meet each candidate who has been accepted and give him appropriate information regarding the institution. 3. Following this, after the reception of each degree, have a meeting with the candidate in which each of the five members undertakes to explain one each of five appropriate topics necessary to a full understanding of the several degrees. This plan has been successfully used in both the Jurisdictions named; but as the committee says "No plan of Masonic Education will be found to work itself. There is nothing that can take the place of an enthusiastic set of officers led by a wise and energetic Master. The plan recommended above has the advantage of giving members a certain task to perform. That lodge usually does the best work which can find jobs for most of its members."

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Thomas J. Day, P.G.M. Alberta for 1932 receives fraternal notice, M. W. Bro. George W. Kerby being quoted, while Bro. Rev. D. Whyte Smith's address is noted as being an interesting one.

M. W. Bro. Harold W. T. Purnell, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John F. Robinson, Grand Secretary.

J.H.W.S.K.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., was held in the City of Washington on December 20th, 1933. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Harry G. Kimball, presided, and many distinguished visitors were present, including among them five Grand Masters.

In the Grand Master's address it is noted that he gave very special attention to the matter of suspensions N.P.D. He sent out over his personal signature 6,500 letters as a follow up to a personal letter sent by each Master to those members of their lodges who were in arrears. In this letter he pointed out, amongst other things, that the cost "of owning the right to be called a Mason with all the honor that is attached thereto, and the privilege of sharing in its humanitarian work is trivial amounting to from two to three cents per day." He adds "that personal work, phone calls, and letters between August and September 30th so reduced this list that only 1,002 of the 6,500 had to be dropped." A good reward for hard work.

He mentions "that more than half a century had elapsed since it was necessary for this Grand Lodge to try and to punish one of its members, and this fine record had to be broken this year"; but at that it is still a fine record.

He visited according to custom all of his lodges and at each visitation called on the Master for a report of his lodge's activities, and states that he received comprehensive and interesting reports.

With regard to Masonic Education, the system they have adopted, founded on the New York plan, is made compulsory as far as informing the candidates are concerned. The Grand Master requested all Masters to arrange for short talks in Lodge at frequent intervals, and suggested

that speakers be selected as much as possible from their own membership, mainly because it would be educative to the speakers themselves.

He says their Grand Lodge Library needs cataloguing together with a subject index to assist readers in preparing their papers; but he failed to get the Committee to take this matter up.

Attendance of members had his attention, believing that non-attendance is one of the reasons for N.P.D. and directed a closer check be made on the attendance register, so that those who had not attended be contacted by personal call, phone or letter. This system resulted in increasing the attendance by 5.3 per cent. He found that the smaller lodges had the best attendance and by dividing his lodges into three groups comprising small, medium and large lodges, he found in each group a great difference in attendance. In his opinion there is not enough personal contact between officers and absentees and other members. As to non-resident members, he suggested the adoption of the New York system, he secured card records of names and addresses of non-residents from his lodges, had them arranged by Grand Jurisdictions and sub-divided by communities. The names and addresses were then sent to Grand Secretaries with the request that they be sent on to lodges nearest the given address, and asked that the member be called upon and invited to attend. He reports that the plan met with much success and he received many fine letters of appreciation from both the Grand Secretaries and the absentee members.

He interested himself in the histories of lodges and in order to prepare the way for another volume of Grand Lodge History directed each Master to appoint an Historian or Committee to write for the lodge a comprehensive history and file a copy with the Grand Secretary as soon as completed.

Entertainments also came in for comment, he pointed out that programs should be of such a nature that no criticism could be made regarding their tone. All such entertainments must be in keeping with Masonic ideals and dignity. This Grand Lodge issues certificates of proficiency and the examinations for these certificates are very strict; but the Grand Master feels that something should be done to limit these certificates in time, perhaps three years, subject to renewal on further examination, feeling that if the brother does not constantly review the Work he will lose his accuracy and thus in time be unable to transmit the Work in its purity.

The Grand Master makes a strong objection to a custom that has apparently arisen with them in regard to the conduct of Masonic funerals. We meet with the same condition here, that is concerning the committal of the body by other than the Masons when in charge. In the case of Masonic funerals once the lodge is in charge, the Masonic Services must conclude with the actual committal in the grave. All religious services or services other than Masonic must be concluded at the home or the church or chapel. He emphasizes the fact that the Master must have a distinct understanding with the family and the clergyman that the lodge shall commit the body and that when the lodge has taken charge nothing can be allowed to intervene until the Masonic Services are concluded, and that unless this is agreed to the lodge cannot officiate.

The Grand Master touched on many other matters concerning his Grand Lodge, indicating that he gave the closest attention to the many varied subjects he had to deal with.

A comprehensive report of a special committee on the remission of Grand Lodge Dues was presented. The legislation proposed that Grand Lodge would remit dues and assessments from the lodges in the cases of those brethren whose lodge dues had been remitted by their lodges. It went into the matter very thoroughly finally reaching the conclusion "that the present system has been in existence for many years, it is believed to be just and equitable to all concerned, and from a practical record keeping viewpoint is easily workable. The proposed plan has many elements in it which would work injustice to some lodges, would place the revenues of the Grand Lodge on an uncertain and indeterminate basis, and would curtail its educational and charitable activities." The Committee strongly recommended that the proposed amendments be not adopted. Grand Lodge concurred.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. James A. West, P.G.M., his foreword is very interesting, dealing with many matters common to the jurisdictions reviewed. Alberta apparently did not reach his desk in time for review.

M. W. Bro. Vernon G. Owen, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. J. Claude Keiper, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Washington, D.C.

J.H.W.S.K.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

On the first day of March, 1933, the Quarterly Communication was held in London. The M. W. Grand Master H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught was unanimously re-elected Grand Master.

The G. M. of South Australia His Excellency Brig. Gen. The Hon. Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven, V.C., K.C.M.G., C.D., D.S.O., was an honored visitor.

A number of Hall Stone jewels were presented by the Pro Grand Master. In the course of his remarks he mentions, the lodges receiving them had contributed an average of ten guineas per capita; but he stated the true significance was greater than that. These lodges had been stamped with the "Hall Mark" which signifies that the metal of which they are made has proved itself to be "of good report" of the right quality and rings true, giving them a reputation that will endure so long as no base alloy is added.

The report of the Board of General Purposes in speaking of the arrangements for the opening and dedication of the new Temple in July briefly indicates the pressure under which the officers of the Grand Lodge were working. Brethren are requested to trouble the Grand Secretary as little as possible with direct enquiries and also to refrain from correspondence on the various matters of procedure and other matters about which Grand Lodge is constantly written to and also from pressing any matters on Grand Lodge of the nature which could conveniently be left over until after the summer.

In spite of this request it is to be noted the Grand Lodge is promising to undertake a revision of the Constitution and requests suggestions as to amendments from any brother. The president of the board stated that the Revision would be with the object of simplifying the Book of

Constitution and they would be better pleased to receive suggestions to that end than for new rules or for elaborating those in existence.

Grand Lodge accounts 1932 were dealt with. Conversion of War Loan 5% Bonds to the 3½% issue will reduce income. Fees for Registration and Warrants are less and the financial situation has to some extent decreased the number of new members, while the remission of part of the Quarterage or dues has reduced the Benevolent Fund income by \$25,000.00, and the General Fund to the same extent; but they are able to report in spite of all this "that the financial position is still satisfactory."

At the "Grand Festival" meeting in April a message of affection, esteem and respect was approved to be sent to the M. W. Grand Master on his 83rd birthday the 1st of May.

The Pro Grand Master, Lord Amptill was re-appointed by the Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Hon. Lord Cornwallis in congratulating him pointed out that this M. W. Bro. had served in this high office for a quarter of a century during which time about 2,100 lodges had been consecrated, that the influence of the Craft in the social life and structure had grown, its ideals raised and its ceremonies more perfectly performed through his inspiration and leadership.

A very long list of Appointed Officers was read one of whom was H.R.H. Prince George as Senior Grand Warden.

At the conclusion the Pro Grand Master addressed the Grand Officers and Grand Stewards reminding them of the charge to the Wardens on nights of Installation, I wish I had space to quote; but he makes it plain that the duties of every Grand Officer regardless of special station or rank are of great responsibility to the whole Craft as well as an honor to themselves and in few well chosen words impressed upon them the importance of emulating the example of those whose life and conduct they admire, reminding them that they can often learn from humble brothers who have not had rank recognition or honors bestowed upon them; but at the same time they should beware of what may seem defective being reflected in their own conduct, in short, wherever a Grand Officer may be he should set the highest example in acts and particularly in words.

At the Communication in June a Delegation was appointed to attend the Birthday Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and the Board of General Purposes reported that arrangements for the Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple were progressing actively. An amendment to the Constitution was made deleting the requirement of residence within the District or Province for Provincial or District Grand Officers unless the Grand Master grants a Dispensation. It was pointed out that the rapid and convenient means of transportation now existing had practically done away with the reason for residence qualifications.

An Especial Grand Lodge Holden at the Royal Albert Hall, London, on the 18th of July, 1933, in connection with the Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple marked the commencement of the Ceremonial Dedication Exercises at which some 8,000 Masons were present with the M. W. Grand Master H.R.H. the Duke of Cannaught presiding. Grand Lodge was opened in Due Form by the Deputy Grand Master when the M. W. the Grand Master entered the hall in procession and having taken his seat on the Throne was saluted by the brethren according to ancient form. The Deputations from Grand Lodges and from District

Grand Lodges under the English Constitution together with several distinguished visitors were received and presented to the M. W. Grand Master.

Each Deputation was received separately and in order of seniority. When they had been seated the M. W. Grand Master invested his great nephew H. R. H. Prince George, as Senior Grand Warden who was then escorted to his Chair. Over 100 brethren, who had received Masonic Honors were also invested by the Grand Master, who then received addresses of congratulations from the Grand Masters of Ireland, Scotland, Massachusetts (for the G. L.'s of the U.S.A.) Canada (in Ontario) (for the Dominion G. L.'s) and the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia (for the G. L.'s of the Colonies) to which this veteran Grand Master when replying expressed his appreciation of the goodwill and the honor they had conferred on Grand Lodge by their presence, and hoped that all would be even more closely united in brotherhood, stating that "Never was the practice of the fundamental principal of our Order more encumbent upon us than today, and this assemblage of Masons from every quarter of the globe will hold dear those ideals which cannot fail to produce a beneficial effect.

The following day the grand Dedication Ceremony took place of which we have heard from M. W. Bro. Blackstock, P.G.M., who was present as our representative at all these ceremonies.

On the 6th of September Grand Lodge met in their new Temple to transact ordinary business for the first time and found difficulty in accommodating the large number present.

The Report of the Board of General Purposes refers to the Dedication Ceremonies in July with gratification that the undertaking had been so successfully carried out stating that it was due to the willing co-operation of every one concerned in the two great ceremonies, and especially mentioned their appreciation of the presence of representatives from so many Grand Lodges and for the warm fraternal feelings they freely expressed in public and private.

As a fitting close to the impressive ceremonies on the 3rd of August the Board entertained at dinner representatives of the Architects, the Builders, and the Craftsmen engaged in the construction of the Memorial Building. Members of nearly 100 trades and crafts were present. The dinner was presided over by the M. W. Pro Grand Master Lord Ampthill, who "expressed the thanks of Grand Lodge to all present in eloquent terms and his happy conviction that even in this age of machinery skilled craftsmen still exist and that English Craftsmanship is second to none. The spokesman of our friends the craftsmen enlarged on the pride which they had felt in the work." It would appear that all those who had been employed were given an opportunity to visit the building and a very large number did so and spoke of their gratitude to Grand Lodge and to the Architects for having given them this magnificent opportunity for the fullest exercise of hand and brain.

One would think that with the successful completion of this tremendous undertaking our English brethren would feel content; but the Pro Grand Master in his closing words quoted the Grand Chaplain, V. W. Bro. the Bishop of Gifford, in which he said this "is not the close of the great work; but the finish of its preface."

At the December meeting a message was read from the M. W. the Grand Master in which it was stated that the Grand Lodge of the

Philippine Islands had refused its co-operation with the other Grand Lodges concerned in China, and continued to warrant lodges in China contrary to the desire of the Grand Lodges concerned and of a Consultative Council which had been formed and which they had refused to join. In view of these facts the Grand Master decided that intercourse and exchange of representatives between the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands be suspended. The Grand Lodges concerned are those of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Massachusetts. It appears that certain Brethren of Chinese and other nationalities applied to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for a warrant for a new Lodge in China, which, after careful consideration and consultation with representatives of other Grand Lodges concerned was refused, although they knew favorable consideration would be given to the matter by the Grand Lodge of Philippine Islands. Apparently that Grand Lodge has since warranted the Lodge asked for and others mainly consisting of Chinese nationals in Nanking and Canton with the avowed intention of forming a Sovereign Grand Lodge of China. In accordance with the recommendation of the Consultative Council already mentioned, the four Grand Lodges concerned have suspended relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. The president of the Board of General Purposes states "While it is by no means the intention of the four Grand Lodges to place obstacles in the road of the practice of Free Masonry among Chinese nationals under proper regulations, it is their considered opinion, that in the present condition of that country the continued warranting of new Lodges largely Chinese in membership and influence with the objective of bringing into being a Sovereign Grand Lodge of China is detrimental to the highest interests of the Order. At this Communication Grand Lodge was informed that the quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge on September 5th, 1934, would be held at New Castle upon Tyne. This will be only the third time that Grand Lodge has been held outside of London.

A presentation of his own portrait was presented to M. W. the Pro Grand Master commemorating his twenty-five years of service to Grand Lodge in his present office. It is announced that copies of this portrait will be available to Lodges which may desire to obtain one. This was accompanied by a souvenir gift to Lady Amphill. The Pro Grand Master in reply expressed his thanks for the confidence, goodwill and friendship expressed by this gift, stating that he felt he owed much service to the Craft which had been so kind, tolerant and generous to himself. Thus ended an eventful year for the Grand Lodge of England. It must not be thought because the Peace Memorial Temple occupies the centre of the stage in this review that Freemasonry in England was solely concerned with the erection and completion of a magnificent monument for, during the year their Benevolent Committee disbursed thousands of pounds by way of direct assistance to beneficiaries. Their great Charities such as the Boys' School, the Girls' School and the recently completed Masonic Hospital together with other undertakings have all been taken care of. Tremendous sums of money are raised yearly by our English Brethren for these purposes. We have had the description of the Hospital and the Schools from M. W. Bro. Blackstock and must realise that they are magnificent institutions, thoroughly equipped and most efficiently managed. It is evident that English Masonry operates on a high plane, that sacrifice of time and money is looked upon as a privilege to be sought after and highly prized as an opportunity to exercise those virtues we profess to admire.

J.H.W.S.K.

FLORIDA

The One Hundred and Fourth Annual Communication, 1933. M. W. Bro. J. S. B. Moyer, Grand Master. Alberta was represented. Prominent visitors were present from the adjoining jurisdictions of Georgia and Louisiana.

The Grand Master issued two letters to the Craft which were in the nature of red hot lectures straight from the shoulder. Item one dealt with delinquent Grand Lodge dues which amounted to some \$30,000 and upon the District Deputies was laid the responsibility of "stirring up" the lodges to action. The Grand Master charged some lodges with holding out on Grand Lodge as he had proof some of these had funds in banks which failed some months after the amounts were due. He charged the lodges with failing to purge their rolls of members who will not pay but have plenty of money for "gas and pictures." And this must have struck home somewhere, "If a lodge cannot function as a Masonic body should function, carrying its burden, not only of its own legitimate relief but its legitimate share of Grand Lodge activities it had better surrender its charter, and its members who feel they are still Masons with Masonic principles in their hearts, affiliate with a real Masonic lodge." One only hopes that a Grand Master who has courage to talk like that was rewarded with results.

Item two was a lot of good advice to all and sundry just before lodge election time in which he pointed that "officership is being considered too lightly by those who have received those honors from their brethren, and many view it in the light that perfect ritualism is all there is to Masonry." And he puts it right up to officers in line to self analyze before accepting a promotion:

"Have I the ritualistic and business ability to successfully administer the affairs of my lodge?

"Will I have the time to devote to the proper administration of its affairs?

"Am I broad enough to forget my personal feelings in this administration?

"Is my moral deportment of such a character that I not only will be respected by my membership but the community as well?"

Rulings: It would be quite proper for a lodge to receive a donation toward its charity work from an industrial concern providing the donation was not solicited. No Masonic term may be applied to a lodge baseball team. Lodges may not use their halls for dancing.

It was rather amusing to read that a new funeral service was adopted with its use made optional. A familiar ring to that for Alberta. The old stand-bys who know the former ritual refuse to learn any new tricks and who is there will memorize a long service unless he expects to be called upon to deliver it?

The emergency Relief Committee disbursed \$11,083.00 with an average per person per month sum of \$15.52. Home maintenance costs amounted to \$270.03 per person per year, the lowest since 1919.

An exhaustive report on dual plural membership was submitted, action being deferred till next year. A summary of the findings:

"Except Quebec and Alberta, all Grand Jurisdictions in the British Empire permit unrestricted dual plural membership. Quebec permits

dual only, while Alberta permits both but restricts it to two memberships.

"In the United States, twenty-nine do not permit either dual or plural, fourteen permit dual within their own jurisdiction, three permit dual within and without, one without only, two both dual and plural within and without. A poll of Grand Secretaries opinions on the matter reveals a majority are indifferent. Virginia is the strongest proponent while Pennsylvania registers equally opposed."

Advantages claimed: "The privilege on the part of a sojourner to indulge a sentimental attachment to his mother lodge and affiliate where he lives without dimitting. Some spoke of the financial advantage to the lodges and Grand Lodge."

Disadvantages: "1. Confusion in compiling statistical report of individual Masons in Grand Lodge reports.

"2. The possibility of a Mason being expelled or suspended in one lodge or jurisdiction and in good standing in another.

"3. The liability to violate jurisdictional law on the part of lodges.

"4. Duplication of relief.

"5. Confusion in authority to discipline.

"6. The possibility that an act committed might be a Masonic offense in one jurisdiction and not in another.

"7. The possibility of the trial and expulsion of a Worshipful Master."

Owing to the death of Ely P. Hubbell, long time Foreign Correspondent, there is not a report this year.

Lodges, 239. Membership, 24,215. Loss, 3,307.

M. W. Grand Master—B. W. Helvensten.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Wilber P. Webster.

V.H.M.

GEORGIA

The One Hundred and Forty-seventh Annual Communication. M. W. Bro. William B. Clarke, Grand Master. Alberta not represented.

Georgia is still staggering beneath its financial burden brought about very largely by lax lodge secretaries and a loose system of returns to Grand Lodge. Since 1923 Grand Lodge has financed itself by borrowing money against the following year's assessment and finding each year that there was an over expenditure against receipts less than estimated. On top of this Georgia has had a net loss in membership in the period of 1929 to 1933 of approximately 18,000, the 1933 total reported being 44,422 plus 2,022 emeritus or non dues paying members. A concomitant loss in revenue has forced reductions in all expenditures, principally falling upon per diem and travelling expenses to Grand Lodge representatives and Home expenses. Inheriting such a situation when he took office, Bro. Clarke took the bit in his teeth, flung popularity to the winds and determined that the business of Grand Lodge must be conducted upon sound principles necessitating prompt and accurate lodge returns and Grand Lodge spending only

according to current receipts, at the same time providing for wiping out bank indebtedness. Be it said to his everlasting credit that eminent success crowned his efforts, although at one time nearly one hundred and fifty charters were in jeopardy until the lodges realized that at last a real driver was in the seat. Some filed returns two years late, others paid up the Home assessment while others held election of officers which had been neglected for several years. A house cleaning of this nature revealed a tremendous amount of deadwood cumbering the growth of Masonry. The net result reported to Grand Lodge was twenty-three charters suspended, six arrested and twenty-one surrendered. We congratulate M. W. Bro. Clarke upon his courage and single purpose to re-establish Masonry in Georgia upon a sound basis.

It would appear that the difficulties could be attributed to two principal sources of weakness. Firstly, many inefficient lodge secretaries. To remedy this a manual of instructions together with specimen pages of minute books and forms have been issued, and district conventions of instruction for secretaries held. Secondly, there has been an apparent lack of contact between Grand Lodge and the constituent lodges. For some reason they seem to dislike the District Deputy system, but have appointed Assistant Marshals who are delegated to investigate and instruct lodges, upon the direction of the Grand Master, where difficulties have arisen. One can overlook shortcomings in the District Deputy system of contact when he realizes that their work is largely prevention rather than cure.

Bro. Clarke like our own Grand Master is an architect by profession. However, by diversion he seems to be some-what of a writer and research worker. Through his efforts it has been definitely established and accepted that Georgia ranks as the second oldest Grand Lodge on the continent and fourth in the world. His visitations included Massachusetts, Tennessee and South Carolina. Only the financial problems confronted by his Grand Lodge prevented him attending the Peace Memorial dedication in London.

Arrears of dues were attacked by the Grand Master sending a letter to each lodge directing that every brother in arrears be personally interviewed. Those discovered who had found nothing in Masonry to interest them could be politely dropped. Others who from pride remained away from lodge because they could not pay their dues in full could be dealt with if they would pay up part as evidence of good faith and the lodge should remit the balance. The net result of the campaign was surprisingly successful and the loss from suspension was less than the previous year despite conditions were worse.

Honored guests included the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of Tennessee and South Carolina and a Past Grand Master of Louisiana.

Twenty-five Lodges of Research have been organized to promote Masonic education, directed by a Mother Lodge of Research. A course of study has been provided on "History of Freemasonry in Georgia," "The Genesis and Genius of Freemasonry," "The Duties of the Officers of a Lodge," "Symbolism," and "What is Freemasonry and How Shall I be Prepared."

We regret that economic reasons precluded a review from the able pen of M. W. Bro. Raymond Daniel. He concludes a scanning of Masonic skies, "As we look to the future, without the blare of trumpets or acclaim from housetops, the Knowledge that there is only one Master

and He is Jehovah; there is only one Lodge and that is the World; there is only one Brotherhood and that is Humanity.

Lodges, 545. Membership, 46,444. Loss, 7,354.

M. W. Bro. Guy G. Lunsford—Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frank F. Baker—Grand Secretary.

V.H.M.

IDAHO

Sixty-seventh Annual Communication held at Moscow, September 12th, 1933.

In the absence of the Grand Master, the Grand Lodge was governed by S. Irvin Robertson, and there is no address by the Grand Master.

Lodges, 81; membership, 9,853; net loss, 299.

In the report of the Committee on Masonic Education comment is made that "the year has been quiet and lacking in activity. That was inevitable. Fewer degrees have been conferred than in any year for a long time. However, we are not discouraged, for those things represent nothing but the return swing of the pendulum."

From the Annual Oration by Bro. E. F. Harold of Lewistown, we quote the following: "With whatever credence we dispose to receive the legends of Masonry, and no matter with what deep regard we esteem its symbolism or with what significance we accept its implements, we are certain of two things. First, the antiquity of our Order is no criterion of its perpetuity. Second, the achievements of the past can of themselves afford no guarantee of an effective survival for tomorrow.

"The stubborn facts stand out, that we who have been honored by acceptance, and have heard the solemn obligation administered, are the connecting link between the then and the tomorrow.

"History is being made. Whether Masonry survives as a potential force, and prevailing factor, or whether it fails and fades from the minds of man forever is largely to be determined by the degree of fidelity we sustain in discharging our solemn duty.

"Today is our day and tomorrow will tell in altogether legible hand-writing and clarity of tone just that which we have been doing today."

And again: "If it were within my power, I would like to lift a clarion voice and challenge Masons everywhere to meet this crisis of our modern day and civilization, by renewed avowal to carry out, in terms of practicality by precept and example, a steady obedience to the tenets of Freemasonry. This is not intended as an indictment of gross negligence but as alarm lest, by lethargy and disinterestedness, we allow these things which we have, and which the World is in such dire need of at this hour, to become merely routine procedure instead of a regnant power and strength."

On reciting some of the evils of the day, the Grand Orator closes on this note: "Be it as it may, Masons can hardly be satisfied to sit in lodge and listen, and some may just sit, instead of incorporating our tenets into life and action."

His concluding word is a good one: "The challenge for better government, better business, better homes, is ours, if we will grasp the God-given store of moral science and aid in abolishing crime, war and illiteracy. A worthy cause for a worthy Order as ancient and free as ours."

The relations of the Craft and the Order of the Easter Star receive comment in an answer to a question by the Committee on Jurisprudence. They say: "While there is no written law against putting an O.E.S. emblem on a Masonic Temple, it is my belief that we should keep our temples free from any entanglements with any other organization."

A resolution to suspend the fifty cents per capita for the up-keep of the Orphans Fund is recorded. Apparently Alberta is not the only jurisdiction taking such steps in these hard times.

Action on the effect of the Eighteenth Amendment is referred to in the Proceedings of Idaho but referred to the next Annual Communication.

Alberta's Proceedings have been reviewed but are not printed in the Proceedings of Idaho.

Next Annual Communication to be held at Idaho Falls, Tuesday, September 11th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—S. Irvin Roberson, Jerome.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Curtis F. Pike, Boise.

A. M. M.

ILLINOIS

The Ninety-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was held in the City of Chicago, on October 10th and 11th, 1933, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. C. Haven Stephens, presiding. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

Illinois suffers a distinct loss in the death of the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. William H. Zarley. "The loss of a Masonic leader is a serious blow to the Craft."

From the Grand Master's address we excerpt as follows:

"Early Masonry was a personal Masonry. Founded by our forefathers with a desire to be of service to each other, it commanded personal action on the part of the individual.

"As I study it, I can find no cause for any change in our fundamentals in today's problems. We cannot be real brethren unless we understand each other. Unless we can meet upon the common level of a universal brotherhood. Our weakness today is in the fact that we do not know our brethren and as a result cannot know how we can serve.

"We must return to the faith of our Masonic fathers or our institution will drift into a worldly organization with no other objective than that of social intercourse and entertaining features. If such does develop and I fear it is already encroaching on our Order, then Masonry will have lost 'the faith of our Fathers' and there will be excuse for its existence.

"Deep thought should be given this by all who are interested in holding the institution to its correct place in our social plan."

The Grand Master found unemployed conditions very bad, especially in Cook County. He called three mass meetings of Masons in Chicago, at which he asked for the attendance of at least five principal officers in each constituent lodge. He had six hundred in attendance at each meeting. This resulted in much good to Masonry and the individual.

Stress is being laid on the necessity of consolidation of lodges. In a number of cases this has been accomplished, in one case three lodges uniting. This will strengthen Masonry in these districts. No Dispensations were issued for new lodges.

The Grand Master attended the Annual Meeting of the Grand Masters of the United States held at Washington, D.C. This would be a most inspiring conference.

We find from the reports made by the Committee on Finance that:

- 115 lodges lived within income from dues only.
- 58 lodges lived within income from dues and petitions.
- 186 lodges lived within income from all sources.
- 652 lodges showed a loss.
- 1 lodge no report.

1012 total number of lodges.

M. W. Bros. George A. Ferguson, and Ernest L. Marvin, Grand Masters of Michigan and Montana respectively, were present and addressed Grand Lodge.

Governor Henry Horner of the State of Illinois sent his regrets on account of non-attendance.

Recognition of the Grand Orient of Greece was laid over for a year.

R. W. Bro. William Tinsley represented the Grand Lodge at the opening of the Peace Memorial, London, England. His report is well worth earnest perusal.

M. W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah writes the Review. He covers Alberta 1932, briefly but fully.

M. W. Bro. Grover C. Niemeyer—Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Richard C. Davenport—Grand Secretary.

1,012 Lodges. 264,151 Members. Decrease, 15,102.

M.M.D.

INDIANA

The Grand Lodge of Indiana did not hold its Annual Communication for the year 1933. The reason of this was economy.

There was a difference of opinion throughout Indiana as to the advisability of such a course.

By dispensation the initiation fee was lowered from \$30.00 to \$20.00; this to be in effect only until the 1934 session of Grand Lodge.

We miss M. W. Bro. Gay's Review.

M. W. Bro. Frank G. Laird—Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. William H. Swintz—Grand Secretary.

555 Lodges. 122,678 Members. Decrease, 4,408.

M.M.D.

IOWA

The Ninetieth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Cedar Rapids on June 13th, 1933. M. W. Bro. Fred G. Hansen, Grand Master, presided.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present and Grand Masters from Missouri, Illinois and Nebraska were distinguished visitors.

The Grand Master gives a complete report of his services to Iowa Masonry during a very busy year.

In this Grand Lodge the penalty for failure to make lodge returns is visited on the Masters of the lodges, who are deprived of the honor of Past Master's rank if found to be negligent. Twelve lodges were reported as delinquent. In nine cases excuses were accepted as satisfactory. In the other three the Grand Master refused to restore P. M. rank to the Masters and made recommendation that the section of the Code be repealed and a new section approved, which disqualifies the Master from holding P. M. rank, and both Master and Secretary from holding any elective office in lodge until reinstated by the Grand Master or Grand Lodge. Grand Lodge approved and from now on there should not be any delinquency in Iowa with regard to returns.

Numerous questions were submitted to the Grand Master, most of which could have been settled by a reference to their Masonic Code, but he says many officers appear to think the Grand Master has more time to study the statutes than they have, and it is easier to read in a few lines the results of an hour's research, than to do it themselves. However, he tried to answer all questions submitted. For the benefit of succeeding G. M.'s he recommended that a digest of all rulings and opinions of previous G. M.'s be made for their guidance.

One ruling may be of interest in Alberta. A member who was a trustee for his lodge asked for his dimit, but would not relinquish his trusteeship. Held, a trustee is not an officer of a lodge; that a member who is a trustee for his lodge can dimit without resigning his trusteeship; but the fact that he is dimitted creates a vacancy on the Board of Trustees, which means that he automatically ceases to be a trustee and his resignation is not required.

The Grand Master visited many lodges and took part in their work, conferring the degrees on several candidates.

Their Masonic Service Committee is referred to as "the one great active force in the dissemination of Masonic light and education in this Grand Jurisdiction." The Grand Master cannot speak too highly of the service it has rendered and judging from its report, his commendation is well earned. They organized a number of meetings at which the Grand Master, other Grand Lodge officers, a Custodian and a member of the Service Committee, or a speaker from their Speaker's Bureau was present. They provide speakers who are supplied with slides for purposes of illustration and it appears that these speakers are voluntary contributors to the good work.

They organized also the Fellowship meetings, which were held everywhere in the jurisdiction on the same day and hour, furnishing a tentative programme, including special songs and other material. Eighty-five members of their Speakers' Bureau attended these meetings. They say that practically 25,000 members took part and the general effect in revival of interest is very marked. In all, they report for the year a total of 481 items, including all gatherings, with a total attendance

of 35,000, exceeding any previous years' attendance. That's beating the depression.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa has a benevolence system somewhat the same as ours. The Grand Master speaks of being present at monthly meetings of the Board and consulting with them on the many matters that engage their attention. He says, there can be no doubt that the Grand Lodge of Iowa is discharging its obligations to its distressed brethren. The Board "has rendered a competent and faithful service with earnestness and skill and is deserving of the thanks and gratitude of the brethren."

They have an investment in securities amounting to \$659,325.00, but they note there is little increase in their funds this year. They maintain a hospital or sanitarium, for which their endowment fund stands at \$38,216.38. The cost of maintenance alone is over \$42,000.00 a year.

The Report of the Committee on Chartered Lodges states that 235 lodges contributed \$35,680.42 towards their own cases of charity, while 121 lodges received \$27,637.53 from Grand Lodge for cases of charity. This committee's report goes into the question of Grand Lodge returns very fully, drawing attention to the number of letters written from the Grand Lodge office to get the returns sent in in the first place, and then the very large number written because of omissions and errors in the returns. They have 556 lodges and they say that one-third make incorrect returns.

This Grand Lodge has built up a Masonic Library which has become famous throughout the Masonic world. It is under the able direction of R. W. Bro. C. C. Hunt, Grand Secretary. The service this library gives to their own members is most extensive. Bro. Hunt's work is unceasing. In one or two places it is mentioned that much of this work is done at night and in his own time. Not only Iowa, but many other Grand Jurisdictions have to thank R. W. Bro. Hunt for many courtesies in supplying Masonic information, Alberta being one.

The Correspondence Report is by M. W. Bro. Louis Block, P.G.M. Alberta receives fraternal notice for M. W. Bro. Kerby's year and his address is very freely quoted with several complimentary comments. There are also quotations from the Committees on the Condition of Masonry and Benevolence.

J.H.W.S.K.

IRELAND

The Proceedings show two excellent photographs of the interior of the Grand Lodge Room in Freemasons' Hall, Dublin, which serve as a frontispiece to the annual report. These will be examined with great pleasure by Lodges working under the Irish Constitution in distant parts of the world, while others who may have the opportunity of seeing them will be interested in the arrangement and detail of what appears to be a dignified and comfortable Hall.

The report opens with the address of the Grand Master, M. W. the Earl of Donoughmore, K.P., P.C., to Grand Lodge on December 27th, 1933. He mentions in few but sympathetic words the passing of R. W. Bro. Colonel Sir William Taylor, "a most distinguished Irish-

man" who had a world wide reputation as a surgeon and whose name will be familiar to many Irishmen in Alberta. He spoke of the Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple in London at which he, with several other officers of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, was present, and as representing the Senior visiting Grand Lodge he was the first who had the privilege of congratulating the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England on the accomplishment of that great work. On that occasion he said in part "If a man's work is such that he cannot take pride in it it will never be worth anything to his fellow creatures, and I do not hesitate to affirm that all Freemasons will take pride in your achievement and I do not think you will ask for better congratulation. But that is not all; the work you have done will be an inspiration to all Freemasons in the future. Freemasonry is not merely a historic exhibit, gloating in its records, and satisfied with itself as it is. It is a living force of Brethren, anxious to help each other in both hemispheres, and work happily accomplished is but a starting place for further efforts."

"And, finally, M. W. Grand Master, I would remember that Freemasons do not only build in stone, bricks, mortar and cement. We have to build up in our hearts for the world around us a symbolic building, a home for all that is best and right, radiating good fellowship throughout the world. Exemplifying by act and by example the prime duty of an unselfish service to others."

He mentions the death of M. W. Bro. Leon Abbott, P.G.M. of Massachusetts, who, it will be remembered, was a visitor in Banff and Calgary not long before his death, and was the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and his successor in that office is the Grand Master of that Grand Lodge.

In connection with the Bi-Centenary of that Grand Lodge held in June last year, he said there were two Grand Lodges formed in that State in the 18th Century, the first two Grand Officers were Irish Freemasons and officers in the Worcester Regiment and the Lodge they were members of is still working under the Irish Constitution, and one of the representatives of the Grand Lodge of England who went over to the celebration was the Provincial Grand Master of Worcestershire.

The writer mentions the above to illustrate the close connection that exists amongst English speaking Freemasons.

Grand Lodge gives special attention to the working of the Ceremonies holding Grand Lodges of Instruction where visiting teams exemplify the "Work." The report states the opening meeting proved most interesting and satisfactory and was well attended. It is recorded that this system has resulted in greatly increased efficiency and uniformity in Working.

The reports from the Provincial Grand Lodges generally indicate that Ireland in common with all other countries is feeling the stress of the times yet on the whole Lodges have maintained their stability and their meetings seem well attended. Their great Charities have been wonderfully supported in spite of conditions and several provinces report indications of improvement are now visible. Their problems are not easily met, in fact our Irish Brethren make very considerable sacrifice; but say very little about their difficulties. The following resolution which was adopted by a Provincial Grand Lodge indicates that they are endeavoring to solve a problem that we ourselves have to struggle with. The resolution is "That a member twelve months or more in arrears, and finding himself in temporary difficulties may resign and the

lodge may remit the amount of dues owing by him to the lodges; he may afterwards be re-admitted on affiliation should the members of the lodge so desire. The approval of the Provincial Grand Master must be obtained in all cases."

The reports from the Provincial Grand Lodges in Africa and New Zealand are brief, but interesting; several of these reports mention the harmony and fraternal relationship which exists between them and the Brethren of other Constitutions. One, Natal, mentions that the four Constitutions working in Natal have united to form a Masonic Educational Fund and at the present time there are between 70 and 80 children in that country being properly educated and cared for. The Prov. G. M. of Rhodesia mentions the meeting together in Salisbury of the Prov. and District Grand Masters of the several Constitutions working in Rhodesia saying the interchange of views is bound to have beneficial results to Freemasonry in general and tend to greater unity. It is intended that these meetings will be repeated annually.

The report of their Benevolent Institutions mentions the loss they have sustained by the conversion of their War Loan Bonds and by the non-payment of interest on railway shares, which constitutes a serious reduction in their income, all the more so in the face of increased demands. This deficiency must be made up by subscriptions.

With regard to their Schools the results of the public examinations show that a number of boys successfully passed with high marks and honors. Three of their students obtained their B.A. Degrees and one obtained second place in the Final Engineering Degree and another the Higher Diploma T.C.D. and several other boys were successful in examinations for bank clerkships, one obtaining the gold medal awarded by the Royal Dublin Society. In the Girls' School similar successes are recorded showing the high standard of efficiency which obtains in these schools.

Throughout the whole Proceedings there is only the most casual mention of the difficulties our Irish Brethren must be laboring under; but we know that courage and determination, of which they have no lack, will enable them to carry on in their great work of maintaining their lodges and supporting their institutions as they have done in the past.

J.H.W.S.K.

KANSAS

Seventy-seventh Annual Communication held at Wichita, February 15th, 1933. John N. Kinkel, Grand Master.

Number of lodges, 448. Number of members, 74,151. Net loss, 4,697.

Among the Grand Representatives, Alberta was not present.

In his general remarks preceding his address, M. W. Bro. Kinkel again calls attention to the fundamentals of Masonic membership. We take the liberty of quoting the following:

"All of our Masonic brethren are human, all possessed of the same general foibles and idiosyncrasies found to exist in the average of human nature, save and except as the same may be modified by the personal appropriation of and the putting into

their actual living experiences, the principles and tenets of the Craft. Therein lies at once the heart of the practical question: Of what benefit is Masonry to the individual devotee thereof, and naturally, the answer to this question is controlled entirely by the interest in the loyalty and sense of appreciation of the one assuming Masonic obligation. . . . No Masonic lodge, as such, may attempt to exert any direct influence outside of the confines of its lodge room. If such attempt were made in relation to any public, politic, economic, or religious question, there would at once be aroused such a storm of protest from its own members that such effort would necessarily fail."

This seems to be directly opposed to opinions in Montana where the action did not fail.

We observe with interest that District Deputy Grand Masters in Kansas are appointed by the Grand Master, which somehow seems more logical than our present method of electing by vote of the lodges in the particular district. The District Deputy is, after all, a direct representative of the Grand Master and he should have some say as to who shall represent him in his opinions.

A note of warning is sounded in the following regarding a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction: "You will note that the finances of the Home are in a satisfactory condition but it will require only a continued flow of applications for admission on the present increasing ratio to hasten the time when this magnificent venture which is a joy and inspiration to the Craft in Kansas may develop into a tragedy and a burden."

The generosity of a brother of one of the lodges is recorded when as result of his will Mountain Slope Lodge No. 186 at Oberlin, became the proud possessor of a temple.

The plan of financing the lodges and building projects by selling life memberships comes in for rather severe stricture. The Grand Master points out in no uncertain terms the danger of indiscriminate use of the purchase of life memberships.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association is not as popular in Kansas as in some other states. The Grand Master records that Kansas is at the bottom of the list of the forty nine jurisdictions in matter of payments of monies to this project. As a foreigner we have the imprudence to suggest that this is the position of honor in this project, the use of which we were never able to understand. By the original incorporation, this Memorial was to cost one hundred thousand dollars. In 1916 the Association was committed to a temple to cost not less than five hundred thousand dollars. In 1920 this amount reached two million, two hundred and twenty thousand and finally it was estimated that the temple would cost four million dollars, to which was to be added an endowment fund of one million, five hundred thousand. The last report shows that the temple has already cost something like three and a half millions and will require a further expenditure of over half a million dollars to complete. The Grand Master's final recommendation is that no further contribution be made and that permission be not given the said corporation to solicit voluntary contributions from the membership at this time.

Under the heading "Innovations" the Grand Master comments on study clubs, Past Master's Association and the like. He says: "Study clubs Past Master's Associations and similar organizations are unauthorized and purely voluntary and, when not conducted strictly in accordance with the true Masonic spirit, prove themselves to be hindrances rather

than of benefit to any lodge." Further he comments: "Unfortunately, I note an increasing inclination to use Masonic lodges as a vehicle for the distribution of propaganda involving matters of public concern and even political and financial gain, all of which is contrary to our law and land marks and which cannot be too strongly condemned."

Of Research Lodges he says: "This appears to be a new venture with doubtful results. The danger lies in its probable increasing the fund of mis-information already abroad."

While a loss in membership is recorded, the Grand Master says: "It is a matter of pride to report that generally speaking, Masonry in this jurisdiction is in a sound, healthy condition, and there is no apparent cause for alarm from any source."

The printed oration is by Bro. Charles L. Mead of San Jose Lodge No. 1, New Jersey. It follows the accepted symbols, implements and and tools of the Craft with explanation of their meaning. We refrain from quotation.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reports requests for recognition from a number of Grand Lodges. Those of Czecho-Slovakia, Lessing Zu Den Drie Ringen, Bahea Brazil, Argentina, were refused. Those of Uruguay, San Paulo, Grande Logia Occidental Mexicana, Palestine and Nicaragua were postponed pending further information.

On the motion of life membership by sale the Committee on Jurisprudence comments as follows: "It is the opinion of this committee that the sale of life membership by subordinate lodges, is in the end, detrimental to the lodge but it is quite questionable whether the Grand Lodge should attempt to exercise its possible authority to deny that right to subordinate lodges. It is our strong recommendation that the practice should cease."

In the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence Alberta receives generous and friendly mention. We appreciate the comment regarding our personal contribution to the business of reviewing Proceedings.

Next Annual Communication will be held at Topica, February 21st, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—George O. Foster, Lawrence.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Elmer F. Strain, Topeka.

A. M. M.

KENTUCKY

One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication. Grand Master—John L. Phillips. Twenty-three out of twenty-eight living Past Grand Masters present. Several distinguished visitors from other jurisdictions were present. Evidently the lines are not drawn so tightly in Kentucky as in Alberta for we note that a representative was received from the annual meeting of the I.O.O.F. which was in session at the time.

Agitation developed a few months prior to the Annual Communication to omit the holding of same. Economic conditions were of course the reason, it being claimed a hardship for the lodges to pay the \$1.00

per member levy to meet travelling and Grand Lodge expense connected therewith. The constitution is quite specific about annual meetings so that Grand Master met the situation by recommending to Grand Lodge to forego the levy and meet the expenses out of surplus.

A budget of economy was adopted in view of the tremendous drop in revenue during the past few years with falling membership. Reduction in Grand Secretary's salary, Grand Treasurer's and Grand Master's allowances, elimination of a stenographer and payment of certain standing committees expenses to Grand Lodge, and curtailing reports in the Proceedings were the principal items to receive the pruning knife. It was believed that the endeavor to collect the balance of the original assessment of \$20.00 per capita made at the time of the building of the new Home was responsible for the suspension of many desirable members unable to meet same, but able to pay annual dues. Under these conditions it was decided to cease collecting this per capita "as the Home had already been paid for."

Kentucky was represented at the Peace Memorial celebration in London by Past Grand Master John H. Cowles, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction A. & A. S. R., also Grand Secretary Fred W. Hardwick. Both presented glowing accounts of the auspicious occasion and their hospitable entertainment.

Apparently one of Kentucky's very numerous Ancient Landmarks (sixty-five is it?) is that lodge elections must be held in December as the Grand Master refuses to permit lodges to elect in June on that authority.

A special committee reporting on the advisability of printing a ritual find:

1. Only 14 out of the 48 jurisdictions in the States reported rituals, the balance including Kentucky using "monitors."
2. A standardized work by ritual would necessitate a District Lecturer system which might develop a machine dominating Grand Lodge. (We fail to see the entailed necessity of District Lecturers as one or possibly two Custodians of the Work should suffice.)
3. Uniformity of the work might entail later uniformity of costume which would be costly to small lodges.
4. Obligations in their present form are inviolable on the point.

It was feared that the printing code under the N.R.A. would interfere with the commercial printing department operated at the Home and lodges were urged to patronize the Home industry to bolster up loss in revenue.

Just before the close of Grand Lodge a resolution was adopted which will be regarded with askance in some quarters. It was an expression to the local press for the "co-operation and publicity given the Annual Communication."

Lodges, 551. Membership, 50,085. Loss, 3,293.

M. W. Grand Master—R. P. Dietzman.

R. W. Grand Secretary—F. W. Hardwick.

V.H.M.

LOUISIANA

The One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual Communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was held in New Orleans on the 6th February, 1933, with M. W. Bro. John C. Ayers, Grand Master, presiding.

Two distinguished Brethren, one from Arkansas and the other from Kansas, were introduced and received with the customary honors.

The Constitution of Louisiana deprives Lodges, who are in arrears of dues to Grand Lodge, representation in Grand Lodge, but in view of the extraordinary conditions prevailing in the business world, that article was relaxed to the extent that Lodges only one year in arrears were given limited representation.

From the Address of the Grand Master we learn that he did a great amount of work in visiting the Lodges in his jurisdiction besides issuing many dispensations and rulings.

In reply to a request from a Lodge to sponsor a Boy Scout troop, the Grand Master ruled: "A Masonic Lodge cannot sponsor an outside organization."

The matter of Life Memberships appear quite frequently in his decisions, and in the opinion of the Grand Master "Life Membership should not be granted except for outstanding services in behalf of the Fraternity" and in this we heartily concur.

A dispensation was refused to permit a Lodge to have a booth in a Public Fair.

The Grand Master spent sometime visiting Masons who had been suspended N.P.D. during the past three years and while he found a few who were indifferent or careless, there were a great many who, through want of employment, were unable to pay their dues and yet were great lovers of the Craft, for these he makes quite a plea and hopes for remedies from this session of Grand Lodge.

In his recommendations the Grand Master suggests the appointment of two Grand Lecturers for life at a salary of \$6,000.00 per annum for both.

If you want to know what happens to a Grand Lodge which enters the Commercial sphere read what the Grand Master has to say on the the Board of Grand Lodge Hall, and I cull this paragraph as giving room for considerable thought:

"Our commercial obligations demand that we be indifferent to want and misery. Our Fraternal obligations say we must relieve distress. There is no happy medium between them. One must prevail. Which shall it be?"

In addition to the regular report submitted by the Grand Secretary he has included a review of the Membership of the Grand Lodge for the past eighty-three years as well as a table showing the losses in membership in other Grand Jurisdictions in the United States, all of which makes interesting reading.

Besides the usual report from the Committee on the Masonic Home there is included in the Proceedings a Historical Review of the Home interspersed with photographs of the Home and its many activities.

A comprehensive report is submitted by the Committee on Foreign Relations which goes into a great deal of detail especially in regard to the condition of Masonry in South American countries, and, as a result of their investigations, the Committee recommended the severance of relations with the Grand Orient of Brazil and the recognition of Grand Lodges in the several States of Brazil which included Rio de Janeiro, Parahyba, Bahia, and San Paulo. Recognition was also extended to The Grand Lodge Del Pacifico, Guaymas, Mexico; Grand Lodge de Estado "Restauracion" Villahermosa, Tobasco, Mexico; Grand Lodge of Uruguay, Montevideo, Uruguay; Grand Lodge of (Masoneria) Argentina, Buenos Aires, Argentina; and the Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, Prague, Czechoslovakia. Recognition was refused to Grand Lodge (National) Egypt, The Grand Lodge of Palestine, Jerusalem, and the Grand Lodge of Liberia, Monrovia, Liberia.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is once again from the pen of M. W. Bro. Edwin F. Gayle, who in his foreword deals largely with the celebration in connection with the dedication of the Memorial to George Washington. Not only do we find the reviews of the English speaking Grand Lodges but there are also included reviews of the Grand Lodges of the Latin Americas which are very informative and of great assistance to those not acquainted with the language. Alberta is given a very sympathetic and fraternal review.

M. W. Bro. W. D. Haas, Jr., Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. L. E. Thomas, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

MAINE

The M. W. the Grand Lodge of Maine held its One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Communication on May 2nd, 1933, at the City of Portland, with M. W. Bro. Ernest C. Butler, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master commences his address by likening the Grand Lodge to a Corporation having Directors and Stockholders—surely a novel idea but savoring of the mercenary, although we do not suppose he had such a thought in mind. Then again, Grand Master Butler went to considerable pains to prepare statistics relative to the ratio of increase of membership of one period with another and came to certain conclusions, one of which was that Maine had more Masons according to population than any other State and also that the United States have three fourths of all the Masons in the world. Mere figures meaning nothing, and no lessons drawn that would convey any particular good to Masonry at large.

Grand Master Butler endeavoured to stimulate interest in Masonic Education in his jurisdiction, and while the smaller lodges have shown some encouragement in this work he is displeased with the larger lodges who have paid no attention to the suggested study. He recommended the appointment of a special committee to take charge of this work with an appropriation of \$500.00.

On the condition of the Fraternity in his jurisdiction the Grand Master has no anxiety, although the Grand Secretary reported a loss of 1,099 members, provided a comprehensive course of study is placed before the lodges. The quality of Leadership is presented to the lodges for thought.

The "Non-resident member" comes in for a little consideration by the Grand Master who recommends that the Secretary of the Home lodge notify the Secretary of the town or city to which any of their members may have removed, thus establishing contacts enabling the non-resident brother to maintain his interest in the Craft. In cases where brethren move to another State the Grand Secretary is to be notified, who will pass the word along.

M. W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith in his Foreword to the Report on Foreign Correspondence uses the story of Dorian Grey to express the thought he desired to leave with his readers, namely, "that it is the internal and not the external qualifications" of a man that count, and that the State of Maine and most Grand Bodies are taking a more liberal attitude in the matter of "physical qualifications."

Kindly and generous reference is made to Alberta Proceedings of 1932.

M. W. Bro. Ernest C. Butler, Skowhegan, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach, Portland, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

MANITOBA

M. W. Bro. D. S. Woods presided over the Fifty-eighth Annual Communication held in the City of Winnipeg on 14th June, 1933.

A Special Communication was held at Portage la Prairie on 10th August, 1932, when the Grand Master laid the corner stone of the Masonic Hall.

R. W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr represented the Grand Lodge of Alberta and a distinguished visitor in the person of M. W. Bro. Dargavel, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, was received and welcomed.

The Grand Master's address is an arresting one. He, like most of his contemporaries throughout this continent, is alive to the threat of change which menaces our social and political life.

Thus:

"As Freemasons, we have been taught to believe that social institutions, free to evolve according to man's wisdom under Divine guidance, are the surest guarantee to light, of liberty, and of the happiness of future generations. We believe that as we are free to promote a world-wide appreciation of the problems common to mankind, so may we be able to promote a fuller realization of the mutual dependence of all men. Meeting in Annual Communication during these doubtful days, we have reason to be grateful that liberty of conscience stands unchallenged within the group of nations in which it is our privilege to claim citizenship."

There is material in this quotation worthy of the consideration of every Committee on Masonic Education.

Sympathetic reference is made to the passing of M. W. Bro. Scott, who was Grand Master in 1905 and Grand Secretary from 1883-1900, and to the passing of M. W. Bro. Chambers, who was Grand Master in 1912.

Manitoba had the privilege—as did Alberta—of a visit from the Marquess of Zetland, Provincial Grand Master of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire, England.

The Grand Master adopted the suggestion of his predecessor with the result that all D.D.G.M.'s had prepared, printed and distributed in advance, copies of the programme for each District Meeting. This is now an analysis of the result:

“After years of improvement, purposeful direction is displacing haphazard management, and District Meetings are taking on that orderly procedure which Freemasonry loves to exemplify.”

The suggestion is a good one and might well be adopted in this jurisdiction. Nothing is more trying or distracting for a Grand Master as to be obliged to start an important address late in the evening, more especially when valuable time had been taken up with trivialities.

In Manitoba, as elsewhere, Masonic Education is receiving close attention. This work is carried on in Manitoba by means of study clubs. The Grand Master makes an interesting and valuable suggestion.

“Without in any way minimizing the importance of the study of Masonic symbols or ritualistic teachings I believe, a progressive fraternity such as we understand Freemasonry to be, should endeavor to have the brethren see and appreciate the history, aims, and ideals of the Craft in their proper relations to those movements which have aided or retarded the uplift of mankind.”

The report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry contains pointed comment on those lodge officers who absent themselves from lodge on the official visit of the D.D.G.M. In 105 lodges visited there were 191 absent officers. The Grand Master's remarks concerning the need for “training for leadership” seem to be well taken. In spite of abnormal conditions the committee reports that “a healthy condition exists in a large percentage of our lodges.” A reading of the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s affords justification for this finding.

No action was taken on an application for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Bahia in Brazil.

The sum of \$13,522.34 was expended on benevolence, 73 families receiving assistance.

There is a valuable report from the Committee on Masonic Education. A conference between the committee and the leaders of the study clubs in the 1st and 12th Masonic Districts was held. Twenty out of twenty-seven lodges had made substantial progress in developing study clubs.

Study clubs are left to determine for themselves the type of material they desire to use, but the committee acts as a clearing house and coordinates activities.

The Grand Secretary reports a membership of 12,058, a decrease of 700.

R. W. Bro. Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas, Grand Chaplain, delivered an address well worth reproduction. In dealing with the dark days through which we are passing he ended on a high note of refreshing optimism, based on the teachings of the first of the Three Great Lights.

Alberta's Proceedings for 1932 are sympathetically reviewed by R. W. Bro. H. W. Kerr.

G.M.B.

MARYLAND

The semi-annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Baltimore on May 16th, 1933. M. W. Bro. G. W. Livingstone, Grand Master.

In a brief address, the Grand Master refers to present conditions as unprecedented, that the Masonic Fraternity has not been exempt from its effects, but in comparison with the general situation throughout the States, had fared exceedingly well. He feels that Freemasonry must play an important part in the great reconstruction which must take place.

He made many visitations to lodges in his jurisdiction and finds, partly as a result no doubt of conditions referred to, that in several lodges there is a lack of interest shown, especially in the Work, and places the responsibility where it should belong, on the Master. He is of the opinion that those who aspire to an office so important should diligently prepare themselves to perform the duties of that office. He says, "The office of a Master of a lodge is one of great importance and requires of the incumbent vastly more than the ability to learn the ritual and confer the degrees." "No one should be elected to the East who has not shown that he possesses the necessary qualifications for that important position."

Secretaries also come in for comment. He suggests that something more is required of them than merely mailing notices in connection with collection of dues; that personal contact is infinitely more effective.

He believes that in the case of small lodges, located close together and with very limited area to draw from, that amalgamation would solve many of their difficulties, and suggests that they should be compelled to do so or surrender their charter. He hastens to say that his remarks do not apply to those small lodges, of which he knows several and which maintain the high standard and dignity of Masonry. These lodges are worthy of every encouragement.

He makes some comments about Masonic funerals, saying that often it is the only occasion when Masons appear in public and thoughtlessness on the part of the brethren and lack of familiarity with the funeral ceremony on the part of officers produces an unfavorable impression upon those witnessing it, and thinks constituent lodges should give the matter more attention.

It was decided not to open their new Masonic Home until general conditions improved and they had sufficient funds in hand to carry on. The Grand Master estimated they would have at least one hundred applications for entrance within a year and the average cost per resident per year would be \$500.00, which meant \$50,000.00 a year for maintenance and support. However, later in the year, at the Annual Communication, on receiving a gift of \$50,000.00 from a brother, it was resolved to open the Home and operate it.

The One Hundred and Forty-seventh Annual Communication was held on November 21st, 1933, at Baltimore. Alberta's representative did not register.

Since the May meeting Grand Lodge sustained a serious loss in the deaths of their venerable Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Rev. Henry Branch, who conducted the Correspondence for many years, having to resign on account of failing health and extreme age in 1929, and their

Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. George Cook, who served his Grand Lodge in that office for twenty-two years, faithfully and efficiently.

The Grand Master attended the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in June, and in the following month was in London, attending the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple, on which occasion he presented an address on the Grand Lodge of Maryland to the Grand Lodge of England, which is printed in the Proceedings, together with the report of his visit, giving a full account of the celebration.

With regard to Masonic Education this Grand Lodge maintains a system of Inspectors. In the City of Baltimore they have Lodges of Instruction that meet three evenings a week for the greater part of the year, at which one of the lodges in the vicinity must exemplify the Work in one of the schools. Twenty-nine lodges took part.

The Library Committee report that they had more calls for material of Masonic educational value than ever before; that a change is noticed from giving entertainments of a burlesque nature to the presentation of Masonic educational features in the lodges, and state that if the change in economic conditions is responsible for the new attitude, then Grand Lodge has done well in their educational effort.

The Correspondence is ably dealt with by R. W. Bro. John Sanford. His Foreword is rather pessimistic, but he is not alone, however, in thinking that the Report on Correspondence is overlooked by a large majority of the Craft, both at home and abroad. He appears to have suggested the discontinuance of this report for his jurisdiction and says, in that event this report will be his "Swan Song," for which this writer would be sincerely sorry; the reports of Maryland have always been appreciated.

M. W. Bro. George Livingstone, Grand Master, re-elected.

R. W. Bro. Harry C. Mueller, Grand Secretary.

J.H.W.S.K.

MASSACHUSETTS

The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held four quarterly communications in 1933, the dates being March 8, June 8th, September 14th, December 14th, and the Stated communication on the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist December 27th.

Nine special communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year of which the first on January 6th, 1933, was held in the City of Boston for the purpose of installing the officers of Saint John's Lodge for its 200th Anniversary year, and later in the year on July 30th for the purpose of attending the Commemorative Religious Service held by Saint John's Lodge in King's Chapel on the 200th anniversary of its founding. On this occasion W. Bro. Jennings of Saint John's Lodge delivered an historical address dealing chiefly with the early history of the lodge and Rev. Dr. Bro. Watson preached the sermon on the theme "History made, making, and to be made." One Special Communication on the occasion of dedicating the Masonic Temple, five on the occasion of the celebration by Lodges of Anniversaries, four being the 75th Anniversary and one the 125th Anniversary of the Lodge concerned;

and the outstanding Special Communication being on the occasion of the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, celebrated on the 25th and 26th days of June, 1933. This bi-centenary celebration consisted of a service at the Old North Church, Salem Street, Boston, on Sunday afternoon June 25th. The sermon was preached by Very Rev. Dr. Percy T. Edrop, Grand Chaplain. In the evening Grand Lodge was opened in the Masonic Temple and proceeded to Gothic Hall where "An 18th Century Lodge" by Joseph Morecombe was presented within the body of the Lodge of Saint Andrew by a group of players from Simon W. Robinson Lodge of Lexington, Massachusetts. On Monday afternoon June 26th Grand Lodge was again opened and proceeded to Corinthian Hall where Saint John's Lodge was in session and witnessed the exemplification of the Master Mason's Degree according to the present ritual. On this occasion Grand Lodge had distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Brazil and from many American Grand Lodges. In the evening Grand Lodge and their guests were entertained by Saint John's Lodge at dinner when addresses were delivered by most of the distinguished brethren present. On Tuesday, Grand Lodge and their guests visited the Masonic Home and Hospital and in the evening attended the Grand Master's dinner, at which many distinguished brethren extended their felicitations. On Wednesday, June 28th, a Special Communication was opened for the purpose of tendering a formal reception to the guests of Grand Lodge on their 200th anniversary.

At the quarterly communication held on September 13th, 1933, the Grand Master in his address gave an account of the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial at London during the week commencing Monday, June 17th, 1933.

At the quarterly communication on December 13th the Grand Master presented his annual review of his official acts and the financial and prudential affairs of the Grand Lodge. At this communication also following a report by the Committee on recognition of foreign Grand Lodges presented by M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, Chairman, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts suspended relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and directed all lodges working under its jurisdiction to decline receiving any persons hailing from the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands or any particular lodge under its jurisdiction during the suspension. We quote from the report:

"There is no recognized Grand Lodge which has exclusive Masonic jurisdiction in China. Technically, China is open territory. There is no doubt that any recognized Grand Lodge in the world has, under Masonic law, the technical right to establish a particular Lodge in what is theoretically open or unoccupied territory.

"The recommendation made in this report that we suspend relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, either temporarily or permanently, as shall be determined by future events, is not made upon the charge that the Grand Lodge of the Philippines has violated any strict rights of the four Grand Lodges which have so long been in actual, though not exclusive, occupation of Chinese territory. It is true, however, that the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Massachusetts, are entitled, because of their actual maintenance of particular Lodges in China for many years, to be treated with Masonic courtesy by any other Grand Lodge also seeking to occupy the territory. It is also true

that there may be a Masonic discourtesy such as to warrant the severance of relations,—even though it be not in violation of the strict terms of Masonic law. It is further true that when the four senior Grand Lodges of the world have for years been in constant touch with the situation in China,—acting in accord and looking toward what they believe to be for the best interests of Freemasonry,—it is a gross breach of fraternal regard, courtesy, and comity, for the Grand Lodge of the Philippines to flout the seriously considered and mature judgment of these four Grand Lodges with results which, in the opinion of the Advisory Council, are bound to be disadvantageous to the cause of Freemasonry.”

At the stated communication on the Grand Feast of Saint John the Evangelist, December 27th, Grand Lodge was addressed by M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, by R. W. Bro. Albert A. Schaefer, Deputy Grand Master of Massachusetts and by Bro. the Hon. Eliot Wadsworth, President of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

At the quarterly communication held on March 8th, 1933, Grand Lodge extended fraternal recognition to the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, and to the Grand Lodge Lessing of the Three Rings, both Grand Lodges having their headquarters at Prague, Czechoslovakia, and at the quarterly communication held on June 14th fraternal recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of Bolivia.

At the quarterly communication on September 13th recognition was withdrawn from all Grand Lodges of Masons in Germany, owing to the fact that these Grand Lodges had either been dissolved and entirely ceased to function or had so changed their status as to practically cease to be Masonic organizations.

Total membership, 118,816. Loss, 3,821.

M. W. Bro. Curtis Chipman, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frederick W. Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

MEXICO (York G. L.)

The 73rd Annual Communication of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was held in the City of Mexico on 13th April, 1933.

In the absence of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. W. E. Crawford, the Grand Lodge was opened in Due Form by the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Marshall A. Malone.

Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. E. P. L. Herivel, was present.

M. W. Bro. Crawford in his report comments as follows on loss of membership:

“I cannot come before you today and report an increase in membership. In fact, owing to economic depression and the scattering of our members in other countries, I am compelled to admit that our membership shows a decided decrease.”

A By-law was approved in Lodge No. 17, providing for automatic life membership for a brother 60 years of age, and over 25 years a member.

Several dispensations were issued for Past Masters to open lodges in the absence of the Worshipful Master and the Wardens. Apparently many officers of lodges have left Mexico.

Petitions are received for affiliation from Grand Jurisdictions who are not recognized by Mexico. The degrees are conferred in short form on these affiliates as a safeguard. The matter is also referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, so as to check up the Grand Jurisdiction in question.

The Committee on Masonic Education has been busy, and presents a short but comprehensive report.

The York Rite Trestle Board is published, not as the official organ of Grand Lodge, but with the support of Grand Lodge, constituent lodges, chapters and commanderies. The publication is in receipt of articles from without, as well as those written by members of this Grand Body. The Editor, R. W. Bro. A. P. Old, is also the newly elected Grand Secretary.

M. W. Bro. Marcus A. Loevy writes the Review, and was very generous to Alberta. He pays a tribute to our M. W. Bro. George W. Kerby as an educational authority and brilliant speaker.

M. W. Bro. Marshall A. Malone—Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. A. P. Old—Grand Secretary.

15 Lodges. 867 Members. Decrease, 70.

M.M.D.

MICHIGAN

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan was held in the City of Lansing on 23rd May, 1933.

M. W. Bro. Louis E. Anderson, Grand Master presided, and he had the pleasure of receiving Distinguished Visitors from Ontario and Illinois. It is worthy of note that when our friends from Ontario were received the Union Jack was placed alongside the Stars and Stripes. We were also pleased to see that the Governor of the State of Michigan was present.

The Grand Master, in his address, recommends the consolidation of lodges where practicable.

Large number of By-laws were submitted to M. W. Bro. Anderson during the year. Most of these were for the reduction of dues and fees; and where concurrent jurisdiction existed these were held up until all lodges interested had agreed on same amounts.

In speaking of delinquent members let me quote the Grand Master in his remarks on Decision No. 5 approved by Grand Lodge in 1882, which he says is proving a handicap to lodges these times:

"It may be a mistake to recommend that this decision be stricken out of Masonic Law, but I do believe its enforcement should be left to the discretion of the ruling Grand Master. My opinion

is that if the delinquent brother should pay that portion of his dues that would go to Grand Lodge during the period of delinquency, the lodge may, if they so desire, issue him a receipt in full. These are extraordinary times, my brethren. It is necessary to make concessions to retain on our membership rolls many high class Masons who have been in recent years hard pressed financially."

We believe in that sentiment.

Michigan has had a per capita tax of \$1.15. It is proposed to eliminate certain expenses, and curtail others, and bring the per capita down to 75 cents. But Grand Lodge will insist on all constituent lodges meeting their obligations. We quote from the Report of the Finance Committee:

"To forgive delinquent dues would also place the burden of running Grand Lodge on those lodges which pay their Grand Lodge dues promptly. To penalize these lodges would be to discourage, if not destroy, the desire and even the ability to pay. Such a result might destroy Grand Lodge itself."

In addition to their problem of collection of dues, Grand Lodge owes \$193,300.00 for the construction and equipment of the New Masonic Home.

The budget for 1933 was placed at \$24,015.00, a decrease from the actual expense of 1932 of \$16,846.76. That is some reduction.

The Masonic Burial Service was revised.

The cost per inmate or guest in the Masonic Home is \$436.60 per year. We question whether that is the best way to handle this good work.

No Review of Proceedings was printed.

M. W. Bro. George A. Ferguson—Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor—Grand Secretary.

509 Lodges. 137,708 Members. Decrease, 7,715.

M.M.D.

MINNESOTA

Eighty-first Annual Communication held at St. Paul, January 18th, 1933, M. W. Bro. Guy F. Streater, Grand Master.

Lodges, 310; membership, 58,289; net loss, 2,065.

Alberta was represented by Bro. Edmund J. Simon, her regular Grand Representative.

The Grand Master's address is brief and to the point and, as usual, discloses a very busy year's work.

Among his decisions and opinions we find the following: "Another lodge asked if the lodge should make a donation to a county health fund. I advised that no law forbids, but suggested that it would be setting a bad precedent to do so."

This opinion is later confirmed by the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We gather from the Grand Master's remarks that there is no such thing as life membership in Minnesota. He quotes from the Code of his Jurisdiction as follows: "No lodge shall authorize life membership with exemption from dues thereafter to any member thereof."

He advises the lodge that the Minnesota Code forbids a lodge attending church in a body, but the Committee on Jurisprudence, in commenting upon this decision, says: "The Grand Master held that a lodge should not attend church in a body. The Grand Regulations, Section 55, Art. V, only prohibit a lodge from participating 'in any event, meeting, procession or ceremony which is not under the control of the fraternity'." From this we gather that attending church in a body is not actually forbidden by the Minnesota Code.

Dealing with the famous George Washington Memorial the Grand Master says: "I was much embarrassed to find that Minnesota is very close to the bottom of the list." We venture the opinion that this is probably a good place to be in this instance.

A special committee reports extensively on the plan to be known as "The Lodge System of Masonic Education." It is quite a full report and seems to cover the subject very satisfactorily. We quote from the preamble: "The essentials of the Lodge System of Masonic Education are:

1. The Lodge, rather than some individual, voluntary committee, or independent organization carries it on.

2. Its purpose is to guarantee that every candidate is properly instructed in those fundamentals of the Craft which every newly made Mason ought to know.

3. The plan is capable of easy expansion to meet the need for Masonic information, by other than candidates.

"Purpose: The candidate is a stranger to Freemasonry and Freemasonry a stranger to him. It is not merely a lodge that he joins but a fraternity with 3,500,000 members and more than 16,000 lodges in this country; with other thousands of lodges and tens of thousands of members in other countries throughout the World; with a history stretching back over many centuries, an intricate system of laws, a large number of purposes, ideals and obligations; many rites, privileges and duties, the ancient landmarks to be preserved, the whole carrying on a program of activities of great variety.

"It is too much to expect that without guidance any man shall be able to make himself at home in such a society, or, unaided, take his proper place in the lodge's work with credit to himself and honor to the brotherhood. He has a right to expect that the lodge give him much of the information he needs.

"It is necessary that new brethren become imbued with the spirit of Freemasonry and to believe in, as well as to understand, its purposes and ideals.

"Not only the candidate profits; the lodge is strengthened from having new members who, from the beginning, are able to take part in its activities; who are likely to become regular attendants; and who can quickly grasp the aim and purpose of the lodge's endeavors. They come in already prepared for work."

The Grand Oration for the year was delivered by Wor. Bro. Leslie L. Brown and deals with the lives of Washington and Franklin with special reference to their Masonic careers.

A resolution to reduce the fee for initiation is presented to the Committee on Jurisprudence but we cannot find that they took action on it at any time.

The splendid work of the Committee at Rochester is again reported and we take real pleasure in quoting the following comment: "When this work was organized the Grand Lodge provided the representative with a revolving fund of \$500.00. This fund is used for the purpose of assisting brother Masons who are temporarily out of funds. Nothing has been added to this fund from the beginning. We are certain that, as in the past, the money in the hands of these brethren will be returned to the fund. Up to the present time there has been no loss, which is certainly a credit to the Masonic Fraternity. During the past year this fund was turned over five and a half times."

Grand Lodge refuses to subscribe to the expenses of the Grand Lodge of Paraguay in equipping temple buildings as base hospitals for sick and wounded in the war between Paraguay and Bolivia.

From the preamble to the report on Foreign Correspondence, we quote the following which we believe summarizes the spirit of all jurisdictions during the present time as neatly as it has done anywhere: "Masonry is valiantly standing the strain with courage and determination, and optimism and confidence in the future, and will emerge from the present perplexing and perilous conditions undaunted, strengthened by adversity, clinging more firmly to her landmarks, and with a more profound realization of the truth and power of her teachings and heritage."

In the Proceedings, Alberta receives brief but very friendly mention.

Next Annual Communication, St. Paul, January 17th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—Montreville J. Brown, St. Paul.

R. W. Grand Secretary—John Fishel, St. Paul.

A. M. M.

MISSISSIPPI

One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Communication. Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Joe E. Green. The Proceedings do not indicate whether or not Alberta was represented.

Mississippi has felt much of the brunt of the depression which hit the great southland. The Grand Master, a physician by profession, endeavoring to diagnose his patients' ills and prescribe a remedy directed a questionnaire to the lodges particularly seeking opinions upon the necessity of reducing Grand Lodge dues and initiation fees. To the first the majority answered no. The majority felt that the initiation minimum fee should be reduced to \$30.00, a some what higher figure than the low-tide \$20.00 which prevailed in the remote past. However Grand Lodge went one better and reduced to \$20.00 the fees for the three degrees. As a gesture of help to the lodges rather than reduce the dues, Grand Lodge will forego the \$16.50 assessment on all initiations. Perhaps peculiar conditions of which we are unaware dictated this policy but the question always arises is there not a real danger in making Masonry "cheap"? Whom will low fees attract? Will it be the serious minded looking for a higher way of life, those in search of truth and more light? Or will it be those who can possibly see the chance of

commercialism at low cost. Of course fees can be too high. One believes that initiation into Masonry is worthy of a decent fee and then let us see to it that our new brother gets something in return, education, fellowship and a spiritual diet that will speed him along life's pathway.

The Finance Committee is much alarmed with the loss of 6,312 members from N.P.D. during the year and one third of the membership in the past six years. This appalling loss entailed a reduction in revenue of \$15,000 in one year. In addition, many lodges were in arrears for one, two, three and even four years, aggregating nearly \$37,000 when Grand Lodge met. And not without surprise we read, "We note that those lodges that have an active Secretary are the ones that are making the most favorable reports." In spite of all this grief, the Committee is to be congratulated, for by diligent pruning of the budget Grand Lodge lived within its income and "In each of the Homes we learn that while economy has been practised, yet our Masonic wards have been comfortable and well provided for."

The Grand Master reports that on his visitations he made every effort to ascertain the cause for the large number of suspensions due to N.P.D. and it was his candid opinion that only a very small percentage was due to the financial embarrassment of the brethren who have been suspended.

The office of Deputy Grand Master in Mississippi has been an appointive office without any significance. The Senior Grand Warden usually is elevated direct to the Grand Mastership as it seems to be done in only nine other jurisdictions in the United States and Canada. It has not proven sufficient lapse of time from Junior Grand Warden to Grand Master in which for the honored brother to prepare himself for his high duties. The Grand Master's recommendation was adopted that in future the office of Deputy Grand Master shall be regarded as in the regular line of ascent, always assuming of course that merit and ability are resident.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was accorded recognition.

Economy was a key note for we find the mileage payable to representatives cut from three to two cents per mile, lodge returns covering names of every member were to be omitted from the Proceedings and travelling expenses outside of the State for representatives to national gatherings would not be met out of Grand Lodge funds. Should the Grand Master desire to attend such functions his expenses would be payable out of his allowance, \$900.00 by the way.

Distinguished visitors included M. W. Bro. John H. Cowles, Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, also M. W. Bro. Haas, Grand Master of Louisiana; Bro. Cowles was made an honorary Past Grand Master. Bro. Haas made an address which was in parts political and distinctly of the stump nature, but it is all forgiven for he finished on an eloquent and high note quoting "The Bridge Builder."

Alberta 1931 is reviewed without comment.

Lodges, 345. Members, 24,195. Loss, 6,312.

M. W. Grand Master—James L. Williams.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Edward L. Faucette.

V.H.M.

MISSOURI

The One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Missouri was held in Kansas City, Missouri, on September 26th and 27th, 1933, with M. W. Bro. Thad. B. Landon, Grand Master, presiding.

Among the distinguished brethren visiting this Grand Body were M. W. Bro. Archie M. Smith, P.G.M. of Nebraska, M. W. Bro. Samuel P. Cochran, P.G.M. of Texas, and Wor. Bro. Major General Amos A. Fries, Past Master of Columbia Lodge No. 3, District of Columbia, all of whom were received with the honors due their rank.

The address of the Grand Master while dealing largely with the administrative work during his term of office, is full of interest, not only to the members of his own jurisdiction but to the Craft at large. That the office of Grand Master has been no sinecure is confidently admitted on reading the Grand Master's address, and we are forcibly reminded that the past four years have been a serious testing time for Masonry. There are many points brought out in the address that your reviewer would like to call attention to, but space forbids.

One interesting point noted from the Grand Master's address is that the Grand Lodge of Missouri has a section in their Constitution which prohibits their brethren from being interested in or participating in the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. As a consequence on the repeal of the Volstead Law the question arose as to position of any of their members selling 3.2 percent beer. Would they be violating the Constitution and be subject to discipline if they participated in the sale as druggists, grocers or confectioners, etc.? After considerable thought the Grand Master decided that in-as-much as the Federal and State Legislatures had decided that 3.2 percent beer was non-intoxicating, therefore this section of the Constitution did not apply.

Permission to celebrate St. John's Day on a Sunday was refused. and no reason given.

The Grand Master ruled that an insane Mason could not be suspended for non-payment of dues.

What the Grand Master has to say on Benevolent Work is rather interesting. Missouri lodges contribute \$1.50 per member, which is handed over by Grand Lodge to the Board operating the Masonic Home. This Board consists not only of members of Grand Lodge but also of several Masonic bodies, the Grand Lodge contributing the major portion of the income. Anything in the nature of casual relief has been paid out of the General Fund of Grand Lodge in the past. The Home Board has been able to save considerable sums from the income of past years which has been placed to the Capital Fund. Heavy demands for relief from brethren who are not eligible for the Home has caused Grand Master Landon to make a change whereby the Home Board would administer what relief was necessary outside of the Home.

The Grand Lodge of Missouri is very fortunately situated financially and has agreed that in order to assist the lodges they have cancelled the per capita tax for two years, necessitating the maintenance of their operating funds being paid out of capital funds.

The Grand Secretary's report shows a net loss of 5,791 members. They suspended for N.P.D. 6,284 and dues of 7,000 members were remitted.

It would appear that some lodges have refused to give Masonic Funerals to their brethren when requested to do so and the report of the special committee on this question states that when a brother is in good standing and the request is made by the family it is obligatory, even in the case of a criminal who has been kept in good standing by his lodge, it would be un-Masonic to refuse. However the Committee did say that cases might arise where it would not be fitting to grant the request and leaves the matter in the hands of the Master and Secretary of the lodge to decide.

Addresses were delivered by the visiting distinguished brethren present, all of which are reported verbatim in the Proceedings. The address of M. W. Bro. Samuel P. Cochran, who represented the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Missouri and that of Texas at the Peace Memorial Celebration in London in 1933 is worthy of special mention, giving as he does a complete report of the doings at that function and we would commend it to any brethren who may be interested. He deposited in the archives of Grand Lodge several documents relative to these ceremonies.

A motion was submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence whereby it was proposed that Life Membership should be discontinued, but the committee felt that while some lodges may have abused the privilege the majority were not in this class, and in-as-much as it might work a hardship on some brethren it was recommended that the motion be not acceded to.

On the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee it was decided to amend the Constitution making it obligatory on each lodge to name a budget committee each year to consist of five members from the lodge to budget the expenses of the lodge for the ensuing year.

Under the title of "In the Masonic World" we have the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence which is the work of M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow. Bro. Denslow does not follow the usual line of reviewing each individual Grand Lodge, but has adopted what he is pleased to call the "Topical" review, and he is certainly to be commended for his excellent work. In a clear and concise manner he paints a word picture of the condition of Masonry in Europe, Asia and South America which cannot help but cause the brethren to stop and think as to what is happening to Masonry today and what is to be its future. To the Masonic student we would say that time would be well spent in carefully reading and digesting this report. We have certainly enjoyed reading the Proceedings of Missouri.

M. W. Bro. Frank C. Barnhill—Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Arthur Mather—Grand Secretary.

W.I.

MONTANA

Sixty-ninth Annual Communication held at Billings, August 16th, 1933.

Grand Master Morris D. Rowland.

Lodges, 135; members, 19,397; net loss, 759.

During the Grand Master's term of office he visited 117 of the 135 lodges, which is quite a feat in this Western country and one which he should be decidedly complimented upon.

Among the decisions we observe this question: "Is anyone eligible to office who is in arrears for dues for more than twelve months?" Answer: "No doubt many members have been elected to office who were in arrears for more than twelve months and nothing said about it but when the matter comes to the attention of the Grand Master he must follow the law and hold that such election would be void."

An interesting and most unusual Masonic ceremony is recorded when a Masonic christening of three infants is held in the presence of the Grand Master.

Dual membership as such, does not find favor with this Grand Master who records that resolutions for the adoption of dual and plural membership were rejected.

Under the heading "Masonry in Action" we quote the following:

"During the last session of the Legislative Assembly of Montana there was introduced a bill seeking the use of public funds for the furnishing of free text books to private and parochial schools.

"As your Grand Master, I deemed the effort to be contrary to the teachings of Masonry in our loyalty toward government and its institutions and I invoked the aid of good and true Masons to help us in preventing such action. I myself took active part, being one of the members of the State Senate. This attempted assault on the public school treasury happily failed in its purpose.

"We owe much to the real Masons in the Legislative Halls for the success attained."

Apparently the Masons of Montana take their obligations seriously and are not at all averse to going into action when necessary.

The same subject is dealt with in more general fashion in the resolution presented and adopted later in the Session. We commend the text of this resolution to anyone interested.

The project to present books to newly initiated brethren is dealt with by a Special Committee. While they are in agreement with the idea of instructing new brethren, they are not in favor of presenting books on the Symbolism of Masonry "for the reason that each author has his own particular conception of symbolism."

We note with interest that Bro. Scott Levitt addresses the Grand Lodge at length on the progress of a bill before Congress dealing with the creation of a Department of Education. It is quite apparent that Montana Masons take a healthy interest in the politics of their state and of their country.

Among the Grand Representatives we observe the name of Bro. J. W. Speer representing Alberta.

The repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment has created no little heart-burning among certain of the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States, where the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors is a bar to Masonic membership.

Montana, in common with the others, has had to deal with this difficulty and rules, we believe quite wisely, that since the Federal Government has legalized the sale of 3.2 percent beer as non-intoxicating that it shall be no bar to Masonic membership by reason of its manufacture or sale.

We note with interest the presence of our Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John Martland, and of our Past Grand Master, Canon Middleton, both of whom addressed our Montana brethren at length. We observe too, that M. W. Bro. Martland was created an Honorary Past Grand Master of Montana.

The Proceedings of Alberta for 1932 are briefly reviewed, most of the subject matter being extracts from the address of M. W. Bro. George W. Kerby.

Next Annual Communication to be held at Great Falls, August 15th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—Ernest L. Marvin, Billings.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Luther T. Hauberg, Helena.

A. M. M.

NEBRASKA

Seventy-sixth Annual Communication held at Omaha, June 6th, 1933, Ralph O. Canaday, Grand Master.

Lodges, 292; membership, 39,265; net loss, 3,002.

Alberta was represented by Bro. Earl N. Bolan.

The hand of death was laid heavily on Nebraska during the Masonic year. Not only did they lose two eminent Past Grand Masters but the Grand Master of the year, M. W. Bro. Edwin B. Johnston died in harness on February 11th, 1933, necessitating the installation of the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Ralph O. Canaday, as Grand Master. We extend the sincere sympathy of the brethren in the North West to Nebraska in her great loss.

The Grand Master's address is, as consequence, rather brief.

A recommendation is made that instead of paying premiums to insurance companies for fidelity bonds, the Grand Lodge itself set aside a sum from its own funds as reserve and permit the issue of bonds to the subordinate lodges on payment of premiums in line with those which would normally be paid to an insurance company. This recommendation was acted upon and is now law in Nebraska.

Dealing with the subject of weak lodges, the Grand Master recommended that lodges which failed to meet for four successive months should forfeit their charter. This recommendation is likewise confirmed by the Committee on Jurisprudence.

A roll of honor shows that four lodges in Nebraska have no delinquent dues for the year 1932.

A word of warning is submitted by the Grand Custodian when he says: "The condition of many lodges, where material is lacking and the membership gradually decreasing calls for attention; and some action should be taken whereby the standing of the members may be safeguarded and the situation remedied with fairness and consideration for all concerned. There is nothing wrong with the spirit of Masonry in

Nebraska, but there is a dire need of readjustment in many sections of the state to assure a proper functioning of the Craft."

We have more than a suspicion that this is true in more places than Nebraska.

Recognition is granted to the Grand Lodge of Guatemala but deferred on the application of the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Germany in Berlin.

Nebraska has an active committee on the promotion of World Peace and we note that their report covers briefly but fully, events in this general direction during the last twelve months.

The Oration is by Bro. Ray Gaets, Grand Orator, and is entitled "Travelling Toward the East". As specimen of its flavor we cull the following: "That individual Masons sometimes fall short of this high ideal is to be regretted. Masonry does not compel its followers to put its lofty teachings into practice. It does seek to influence them and to lead them to higher plains of living. It recognises that its members may be humanly weak but it seeks to prevent them from being merely weakly human.

"It takes no pride in 'button Masons'. It believes that he is an unworthy craftsman indeed, who absorbs no meaning from its great and simple symbols, who can only recite the literal teachings of the Craft and speedily forgets the deeper truths conveyed by them. Even in Solomon's Temple there was a pile of rubbish."

The following paragraph is quoted from the German Hand Buch, published in 1900: "Masonry is the activity of closely united men who, employing symbolical forms borrowed principally from the masons trade and from architecture, work for the welfare of mankind, striving merely to ennoble themselves and others, and thereby to bring about a universal league of mankind which they aspire to exhibit even now on a small scale."

Again from the address itself, we quote: "While many are willing to give intellectual assent to the principles of friendship and brotherhood, it becomes an exceedingly difficult matter to get these principles accepted in actual practice."

"Why is it that in thinking of other races and peoples we emphasize the worst characteristic which they possess? The principles of friendship and brotherhood taught by our Craft urge us to look for the best we can find either in individuals or in nations."

"The mission of Masonry is to bring mankind together in one universal brotherhood. With symbol, allegory and drama, with broad and tolerant instructions, with beautiful and inspiring ritual, it makes many appeals to many men of many minds. But its most eloquent appeal is to the heart of man. As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. Masonry and Friendship are synonymous terms."

"When the spirit of Masonry shall prevail in the hearts of men everywhere, hatred, greed, injustice and the other evils of our present civilization will hide their faces forever from the light of day. Man's inhumanity to man will cease to make countless thousands mourn. Righteousness shall prevail throughout the Earth. Mankind shall be exalted. Society will be worthy of the intelligent, noble and upright men who compose it. The day of brotherhood will be at hand."

Nebraska's report on Foreign Correspondence is on the basis of topical reference, is a very readable piece of work and we are convinced is the best way of summarizing the abundant information contained in the Proceedings of other jurisdictions for the brethren of a single lodge. We highly commend Bro. Edwin D. Crites who compiles the record, even if he finds nothing in the Proceedings of Alberta worthy of being included.

Next Annual Communication, Omaha, January 5th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—Archie M. Smith, Pender.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Louis E. Smith, Omaha.

A. M. M.

NEVADA

Sixty-ninth Annual Communication, June 8th and 9th, 1933.

Grand Lodge was called to order at High Twelve in the Hall of Carson Lodge No. 1, at Carson City.

Twenty-five lodges were represented at Roll Call.

M. W. Bro. Robert H. Parker, Grand Master, presided.

Alberta's Representative, W. Bro. R. A. Trimble, was present.

The Grand Master spoke in part as follows: "Briefly, the designs on the Trestle Board for the past year have been: Masonry, here and now, something to fill a human need in our lives, not a thing to be looked upon as a relic of the past, or a beautiful painting to be looked at, when the spirit might move you to do so. Rededication to the principles of Masonry. More consideration to the members attending our meetings by not tiring them with long speeches at 'Low Twelve'. As individual citizens, see that we practise the principles of honesty in our own lives, and exert the same influence in public, in an endeavour to stem the tide of dishonesty we find everywhere. A little stricter discipline over our actions, that the reputation of the Fraternity may remain unsullied, trying insofar as we can to make the statement true, 'that in becoming Master Masons we have become better men'."

A suitable tribute of respect was paid to the memory of the Dean of Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bro. A. O. Percy, who had answered the last Roll Call during the year.

The Grand Master was proud of the fact that he had not been required to grant any dispensations or make any decisions during his year of office.

The recommendation of the Grand Master that the present Flag Service be discontinued was adopted.

It is surprising to learn that notwithstanding the fact that 80 percent of the Banks in Nevada closed on November 1st, 1932, and were still closed, thus tying up the funds of most of the lodges and of a majority of the members, there has been a slight gain in membership—six, to be exact. Also, only seven members had been suspended N.P.D. Every year since 1899 has shown a gain except the year 1919, when

there was a net loss of one. Both Grand Master and Grand Secretary expressed their pride in that record.

The Committee on Plural and Dual Membership reported adversely, and were sustained. Later in the communication, however, another committee was appointed on the same subject, to report in 1934.

Action was deferred on the requests for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Spain, at Barcelona, two Grand Lodges in Czechoslovakia, the Grand Lodge of Palestine and the Grand Lodge of Argentina. Recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of Paraiba, Grand Lodge Rio de Janeiro, Grand Lodge Bahia and the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, all in Brazil. At the same time recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Orient of Brazil.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is the work of M. W. Bro. V. M. Henderson, Commissioner of Review, and contains reviews of seventy-seven Grand Jurisdictions. This is the third report from his pen. Usually only facts are set out, although in his review of Alberta he ventures to differ from Grand Master Kerby's opinion that Masonry should take on the robes of the New Social Order. He holds that Masonry has gained and held its popularity because it has ever adhered to its Landmarks, and not let every social whim change its course. "If we 'Jazz up' Masonry to conform to Modernistic idea its real identity would be lost and in a few short years it would be thrown aside for some new idea. The real foundation of Masonry, which is Truth, is a rock upon which a world could be builded and no man would suffer." He does, however, agree with Alberta's Grand Master when the latter said that Masonry and real Masons could be a great stabilizing force to help bring about universal peace and goodwill.

M. W. Bro. Harold R. Amens, East Ely, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. V. M. Henderson, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The One Hundred and Forty-fourth Annual Communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was held in the City of Concord on Wednesday the 17th May, A.D. 1933, M. W. Bro. Allan M. Wilson, Grand Master, presiding.

In the list of Grand Representatives it is noted that Alberta was not represented.

The Grand Master, in his address, draws attention to the loss in membership by N.P.D. and states that inability to pay is not wholly responsible for these suspensions.

He finds a more encouraging note in the fact that there is a wider desire among the rank and file to know more of the history, ideals and aims of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master was specially commissioned to visit the M. W. Grand Lodge of Kansas, but owing to inability to attend sent a special deputy.

Acting under his prerogative the Grand Master made a prominent citizen a Mason at sight, giving the three degrees in one evening.

Lodges of Instruction were held in several of the districts, proving of great benefit to the Craft.

The Committee on the question of Grand Lodge taking over the control of the Bulletin has this to report:

"Very few of the Grand Lodges of the United States have attempted the publication of a bulletin, some have experimented with it and abandoned the effort."

"Our Grand Secretary has conducted each year much correspondence with foreign jurisdictions, which through the Bulletin could be communicated to the brethren. If the Grand Secretary could collaborate to a limited degree by giving selected material to the editor of the Bulletin, a great deal of valuable information would not be lost sight of in the archives of Grand Lodge."

Action on the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Estado de Sao Paulo, Brazil as well as from the Grand Lodge of Bahia and Czechoslovakia were deferred, pending further information.

The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire passed a special vote to permit of their Grand Master to attend the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial in London.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney writes the reviews for the twenty-seventh time and he tells us that "There have been losses in members, yes, but there have been gains in faith in our destiny; advances in our mental fibre; uplifts through our dreaming." The review of Alberta for 1932 is all that could be desired, drawing attention to salient features in our Proceedings, and we thank him for his kindly remarks.

M. W. Bro. Orville Edwin Cane, Keene, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

NEW JERSEY

The One Hundred and Forty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Most Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey was held in the City of Trenton on the nineteenth and twentieth days of April, A.D. 1933. M. W. Bro. Floyd J. Kilpatrick, Grand Master, presided.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters were in attendance and fifty-five Grand Representatives of foreign Jurisdictions were present, Alberta not being represented.

There was a large attendance of distinguished visitors from other Jurisdictions, including the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, and District of Columbia and Representatives of lesser rank from the

Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and Virginia. The Grand Lodge of New York was represented by Past Grand Master Charles H. Johnson, Grand Secretary. At the afternoon session of the first day brief addresses were delivered to Grand Lodge by the Grand Masters of Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Rhode Island and District of Columbia, the Deputy Grand Master of Virginia, the Senior Representative from Pennsylvania and the M. W. Bro. Johnson, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York. This latter address was of special inspirational value which the Reviewer would like to quote in toto if space would permit. The interesting point mentioned by M. W. Bro. Johnson was the plan being followed in some Jurisdictions in regard to what is known as the Sojourner problem, which aims at retaining in Masonry brethren who migrate from their home jurisdictions and as a rule cease their active work in Masonry in their new environment.

The Grand Master's address was chiefly devoted to a detailed report of his official acts. The subject which received extended attention was dual membership which was recommended by the Grand Master who submitted also a draft body of regulations in respect thereto. Referring to the Masonic Home, Grand Master Kilpatrick said that "Therein lies our opportunity to justify our very existence as a Craft." It seems to the reviewer that the Grand Master takes much too narrow ground for the justification of the existence of Freemasonry.

Grand Lodge referred the matter of dual membership to a special committee to report at the next Annual Communication.

Grand Lodge of New Jersey has a very effective committee or Masonic Bureau which deal chiefly with the matter of finding employment and rendering assistance to brethren who are out of work. This work is not confined to the members of the Fraternity in New Jersey as the report of the committee indicates assistance had been extended to Masons hailing from sixteen other States and four other countries. The total expenditure of the Bureau for the year was \$12,482.61. During the year the committee succeeded in effecting 1,008 placements through nine different Branches of the Bureau.

The Masonic Home cared for 232 inmates during the year at an expenditure of \$115,000.00, an average of \$495.00. During the year the Charity Foundation distributed relief to 93 recipients, aggregating \$21,000.00 or an average of \$225.00.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that the incoming Grand Master be requested by Grand Lodge to enter into negotiations with the Masonic Jurisdictions of Norway, Sweden and Denmark with a view to establishing fraternal relations and exchange of representatives. The committee reviewed the Proceedings of seventy-four Grand Jurisdictions, Alberta receiving a very appreciative report containing special reference to the annual address of Grand Master G. W. Kerby.

Total membership, 93,976. Net loss, 2,686.

M. W. Bro. Arthur P. Johnson, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Isaac Cherry, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

NEW MEXICO

55th Annual Communication, March 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1933.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by Grand Master Thomas J. Hall, at Roswell, New Mexico, with forty-three lodges being represented.

Again we have a reference to the difficult times through which we are passing—"the most trying of all times within our memory" in the words of the Grand Master. In his travels during the year he sometimes found it hard to smile, but he always discovered among the brethren the determined spirit to "Carry on," and he concluded that as long as that trait of thought persisted they had no reason to worry as to the future of Freemasonry in New Mexico.

The Grand Master strongly recommended that some of the smaller lodges should consider consolidation as a way out of their difficulties. His attempts, however, along that line did not seem to be very successful. Local feeling is a difficult factor to deal with, as he found. Undoubtedly lodges in many jurisdictions will have to consider such a step; unless conditions change for the better very soon. The particular difficulties with which New Mexico is struggling, as enumerated by the Grand Master, are: the mines in the southwestern, western and northern parts of the state are either closed or are working with curtailed operations with shorter hours; the rail centres are handicapped by the cutting down of forces; while the livestock and agricultural parts must sell their products on a market that is now below the cost of production. It is to be regretted that when nations could associate to fight a common enemy in war they cannot join to combat ills that afflict all of them in peace.

The net loss in membership was 425 during the year 1932.

Twice during the year the Grand Master found it necessary for cause to remove an officer of a constituent lodge.

The situation in regard to dues is fully discussed by the Grand Master, and his remarks might be taken to heart in many other jurisdictions. On the general national situation he says:

"There never was a time when this great nation of ours needed a true type of citizenship more than it does at the present time. Lack of confidence in men, in business, in government, has led us into a realm of chaos where the most ardent students of government know not where to turn that order may be returned, confidence restored, and all things again resume an even tenure. Freemasonry has its part in the scheme of affairs. No other institution in its teachings is better qualified to materially assist in this common crisis."

Levity in degree work was severely frowned upon. We often wonder why this should be necessary, but apparently it is. Horseplay has no place in Masonry.

The Grand Secretary, Alpheus A. Keen, was very fittingly congratulated on the completion of his fiftieth year of service in his office. This appears to us to be almost a record. And each year his usefulness increases.

New Mexico has always found the relief problem a real one, and the past year has been no exception. The brethren, however, continue to carry out faithfully their obligations to their less fortunate members.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence refers to the California Shrine Lottery, which is inferentially condemned. We hardly understand the statement that the Shrine should not be held responsible. The Chairman of the Committee, Bro. John Milne, reviewed forty-five Grand Jurisdictions, all within the United States with the exception of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. Most of the Reviews are brief, but the contents are set out in an interesting manner.

M. W. Bro. John Milne, Albuquerque, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

NEW SOUTH WALES Proceedings ending June, 1933

The Board of General Purposes rules that the matter of dress in the lodge was one for the individual lodge to decide.

A letter was received from one of the subordinate lodges asking whether it was permissible for the members of the Craft to join the Order of the Eastern Star. The Board replied that it was undesirable that Masons should associate themselves in their Masonic capacity with any outside body. This ruling, as it reads, would appear to this reviewer to be broader than was intended.

During a visit by Grand Lodge officers to one of the subordinate lodges they found a situation quite unique in Masonry, namely:

"That a father and his three sons should have been installed in the same Lodge and all of them survive; (2), that of the eight Wor. Brethren who have been Masters of the Lodge, half, that is to say four, should have belonged to the Hughes family; and (3) that all the men of the family should be members of the same Lodge, and all have been Worshipful Master."

The various funds of Grand Lodge were shown to be in a satisfactory position.

Number of Lodges, 643. Total Membership, 60,897.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Dr. F. A. Maguire.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. David Cunningham.

E.T.B.

NEW YORK

The One Hundred and Fifty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York was opened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Hall, City of New York, on May 2nd, 1933.

M. W. Bro. Christopher C. Mollenhauer, Grand Master, presided and Grand Representatives of 90 other Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance. Of these 38 represented jurisdictions in the United States of America, 7 in Canada, 6 in Australasia, 5 in South America, 8 in

Central America, 22 on the Continent of Europe and the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, Egypt and the Philippine Islands.

The invocation which opened Grand Lodge in ample form with prayer was delivered by Grand Chaplain R. W. Bro. S. Parkes Cadman, D.D. The invocation concluded with the Lord's Prayer in which Grand Lodge joined. The invocation was worthy of the distinguished Brother, the Grand Chaplain, and could not fail to have been a source of real inspiration to every one present.

At the opening of the Grand Master's address high tribute was paid to the late R. W. Bro. Harry Clay Walker and the late R. W. Bro. Jerome L. Cheney, distinguished citizens of the State of New York as well as distinguished and zealous members of the fraternity, whose services to Grand Lodge and the Craft in that State had extended over many years.

The Grand Master reported that 60,000 brethren had responded to the Call to observance of the first Sunday in November for a State wide "Go-to-Church" movement.

The Grand Master granted a dispensation to Louis Kossuth Lodge in New York City. The Committee on Charters recommended a further period of probation for this lodge. A charter was granted to El Ber Downie Lodge, located at Zahleh, Lebanon, in Syria-Lebanon District in Asia Minor.

Grand Master recommended strict adherence to the standard ritual and advocated uniformity of work throughout the jurisdiction. We quote:

"The Ritual will *never* be out of date; it is the Ritual that gives character to a Masonic Lodge and keeps it from being just another kind of Club."

In referring to the policies and labors of the Board of General Activities the Grand Master said:

"I have been especially pleased to note the constantly increasing number of readers of Masonic literature as reported by the Grand Lodge Library. Show me a disgruntled Mason, show me a chronic fault-finder, a man who wonders if Masonry is worth while, and I will show you a Mason who does not know anything about Masonry, who never reads a Masonic book or magazine, but to whom Masonry begins and ends and has its entire being in the perfect performance of the Ritual. I say to you Masters that you can do your Lodges no finer service than by making them reading Lodges, Masonically-intelligent Lodges. Let a Lodge be made up of men who know what Masonry is about, where it came from and where it is going, who see in Masonry not just another club but an abode of brotherly love and human sympathies—show me such a Lodge and I will show you a Lodge in which the Worshipful Master's time is not taken up with adjusting personal differences among the Brethren, but who has time to carry on the legitimate enterprises of his station."

Regarding public installations of officers in lodges the Grand Master recommended a constitutional provision be made directing installation of lodge officers should be conducted only behind tyled doors.

The problem presented to many lodges through the granting of life membership was fully discussed by the Grand Master. One inci-

dent was cited in which the percentage of life members was 55 percent and many others range from 50 percent to 30 percent. Such lodges are finding considerable difficulty in meeting all the obligations arising through the usual activities of a lodge. The urgent problem was stated as requiring limitations upon the granting of life membership so that this practice would not strangle the lodge or affect its capacity to fulfil its obligations to Grand Lodge activities and viewed collectively to keep the fraternity a going concern.

Referring to the operating deficit of the Trustees in the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund, the Grand Master pointed out the Grand Lodge had suffered a loss of more than \$200,000.00 per annum in the revenue from its New York properties; the lack of candidates for initiation and the large number of unaffiliations as the principal causes of the financial difficulties facing Grand Lodge, with which was also coupled the very substantial increase in the demand for relief during the past two years. The Grand Master recommended that the per capita tax of \$1.00 per annum be increased to \$3.00 per annum. This recommendation was submitted to a special joint committee consisting of the Committees on Constitution and Jurisprudence who approved the recommendation and presented the necessary legislative amendments to the Constitution to carry the same into effect. These were adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master concludes his address with the following report:

"I can report with the utmost gratification that the zeal of the Craft has not been dampened by the period of depression through which we have passed. Rather, there seems to have been a determination exercised by the Brethren to surmount the difficulties and to present a united front against discouragement. A general purpose has been manifested in the face of depleted funds to find in our own resources those means of entertainment that formerly came to us from professional ranks and at considerable cost. Not only has Lodge attendance not suffered under these conditions, but increased attendance has in many cases been reported. In these and in many other ways Freemasonry has taken on the character of a self-contained body of men, with its objectives closely defined and having within itself as a means to achieve the same."

Many distinguished visitors were present, Grand Lodge being addressed by M. W. Bro. Curtis Chipman, Grand Master of Massachusetts, who discussed at some length the relief problems which in recent years had developed upon the Masonic fraternity and the principles that should be followed in adopting and carrying into execution methods of administering relief through Masonic channels. In dealing with these questions he also referred to the State and Municipal policies in the matter of relief, unemployment and various kinds of pensions and allowances. M. W. Bro. Page, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, also briefly addressed the Grand Lodge.

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund disclosed an operating deficit of over \$214,000.00 as against \$44,000.00 for the year preceding. There were 617 beneficiaries in the Masonic Home at Utica, 343 received aid in their own home and 26 were on tubercular relief or a total of 986 beneficiaries of this fund.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended fraternal recognition be granted to the Grand Lodge Del Pacifico (Mexico) and to the Grand Lodge of Bolivia; that recognition be denied the National Grand Lodge of Palestine and that action on the

applications of five of the Grand Lodges of the five Brazilian States, of Rio de Janeiro, Parahyba, Sao Paulo, Bahia and Amazonas, be further deferred as also the applications from the Grand Lodge of the Argentina and the Grand Lodge of Paraguay.

Rulings made by the Grand Master on the report of the Judge Advocate included the following:

"Under Dual Membership, unaffiliation in one Lodge for non-payment of dues operates to cause loss of membership in any other Lodge of which such unaffiliate may have been a member, notwithstanding that he may have been an officer therein. Under such circumstances his office is vacated.

"The use of unsealed envelopes or post cards in the service of a summons by mail is illegal.

"A Lodge may not out of its funds reimburse a brother for a fine or costs imposed upon and paid by him as the result of a judgment rendered by a Masonic tribunal.

"Automatic unaffiliation is at variance with Masonic principles and practice. A vote of the Lodge is necessary for unaffiliation."

which were approved by the Committee of Jurisprudence and adopted.

The report of the Board of General Activities stated that during the year the Board had served in one capacity or another 997 out of the 1,032 lodges in the jurisdiction; that on March 31st they had 5,616 book borrowers who borrowed from the Library 8,038 books during the year; that the Information Bureau of the Grand Lodge Library had answered 5,926 calls for information on a wide variety of subjects; that the Service Department had a list of 470 speakers representing all sections of the State and therefore service was available to every lodge without regard to its geographical location; that the Lodge Plan of Masonic Education is meeting with increasing favor and that the administration of the "Sojourner Plan" was being continually expanded, yielding very satisfactory results.

The report of the Grand Historian, R. W. Bro. Ossian Lang, recalls his reports presented during the preceding four years dealing with the statutes laid down for the Mason Lodges of Scotland in 1588 and 1589 and the older statutes adopted by the Masons on the European Continent in 1462. Developing his historical inquiries and researches his report in 1933 deals with "Early Anglo Saxon Guilds and Fraternities." A study of these reports of R. W. Bro. Lang are recommended to all students of the early historical records of Freemasonry.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence presents Reviews of 101 other Jurisdictions as well as making brief reference to several Jurisdictions in South America in respect of which no Review is presented. In the foreword or introduction the Committee presents its belief that the various commemorations of anniversaries of unusual historical importance which occurred during the years 1931 and 1932, including the bi-centenary of the birth of Washington, have had a very beneficial effect upon the Craft throughout the United States in that the inspiration in the hearts of responsive Brethren did much to carry the Craft safely through one of the most trying periods civilized nations have had to cope with. This inspiration came to the aid of the Craft at a time when discouragement caused thousands to lose faith in God

and man and to withdraw from the one institution which had made brotherly love the keystone of its program. Referring to the exodus from Masonry during the last four years the Committee state that one lesson which should never be forgotten is that carelessness in the admission of candidates is bound to lead to its disaster economically as well as morally and says: "Inadequate inquiry into the motives which prompt petitioners for Masonic fellowship has shown itself to be disloyalty to the Craft."

Reference is also made in the foreword to the serious effect on the future of Masonry in Germany which is bound to result from the recent political changes in that former Empire. Perhaps the most interesting part of this report is that portion which deals with Germany and the several Grand Lodges located in that country. The two brief points brought out in an introduction to the Reviews of four German Grand Lodges were, first the effect on Freemasonry of the rise of the National Socialist Party to power under Adolph Hitler. At the time this Review was prepared while the situation was ominous yet it was not considered hopeless. Subsequent events have intensified the antagonism to Freemasonry with the result that it has practically disappeared in Germany as an active institution; and second the lack of harmony among the German Grand Lodges over the matter of restoring fraternal relations with the United Grand Lodge of England, in the post war period. The Grand Lodges of Hamburg, Frankfurt a/M and Bayreuth appear to have been favorable to resumption of fraternal relations with England while the other Grand Lodges appear to have been opposed. Late telegraphic news reported the consolidation of the three old Prussian Grand Lodges under the banner of the Three Globes and the designation "National Christian Order of Knights Templar" having approximately 52,000 members. Under the circumstances of this later news the Committee decided not to publish a number of its notes or Reviews in regard to German Freemasonry.

In connection with the Scandanavian Grand Lodges a photograph of the Freemasons' Hall at Oslo, Norway and of St. John's Hall in the Masonic Temple of Stockholm, Sweden, are of interest.

Among the miscellaneous notes appended at the end of the report is a reference to Brother Domizio Torrigiani, former Grand Master of the Italian Free Masons who died on August 30th, 1932, at the age of 70 in his Villa at Pistoia, Tuscany, where he had retired after his return from a five years' confinement on the Lipari Islands. He was Grand Master of the Masons at the time Signor Mussolini rose to power in Italy and may justly be considered as a martyr to the genuine principles of Freemasonry.

The National Grand Lodge of Denmark has severed relations with the National Grand Lodge, German-Christian Order of Germany, apparently because of the extreme nationalist attitude of the latter body.

Reference is also made to the benevolence of the United Grand Lodge of England in the following paragraph:

"The Board of Benevolence of the United Grand Lodge of England made grants to needy Brethren and their dependents to the amount of £42,240, or not far from \$200,000.00. There are besides the three great Homes for boys, for girls and for the aged,

to each of which the Brethren contributed £384,452. Aside from this, there are astounding sums supplied for the London Freemasons' Hospital. Even that is not the limit, each Lodge carries on its private charities besides."

Total membership, 332,319. Loss, 9,870.

M. W. Bro. Christopher C. Mollenhauer, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

NEW ZEALAND

Proceedings for the year 1932-33.

Owing to the further lowering of the rate of interest on government funds and in part due to the falling off in the contributions to lodges, it was found necessary to reduce the annuities paid by Grand Lodge in all cases, the approximate reduction being about 12½ per cent. There were 241 annuitants with an annual charge of over \$35,000.00.

Grand Lodge extended for a further period of one year the payment of lodge dues.

A motion that the secretarial work of Grand Lodge and of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter, be carried on in conjunction, was referred back for further consideration.

The Grand Master, His Excellency The Rt. Hon. Lord Bledisloe, mentions an interesting occurrence on one of his trips:

"During my official tour of the Pacific Islands, as His Majesty's Representative, last autumn, I visited the Calliope Lodge, No. 252, at Apia in Western Samoa, the only lodge within this Jurisdiction but outside this Dominion. A most hearty and loyal welcome was accorded to me, and I was desired by the brethren to convey warm fraternal greetings to the members of Grand Lodge, which I take this opportunity of doing. There were present at the meeting of the lodge, which was presided over by a highly respected and loyal German, members belonging to six different nations, as well as a large contingent of enthusiastic visitors from H.M.S. "Diomedé" which had conveyed me to the Mandated Territory. I could not help being struck by the beneficent influence of our Order in promoting international harmony and comradeship."

In the same address, speaking of the function of Masonry in the present world crisis, he says in part:

"But Freemasonry, like other human institutions in these days of progress and altered world conditions, while looking to tradition as affording a secure roothold for ethical stability, must guard itself against making it a handicap to progress, especially in its social aspects. Ours is a social organization which recognises no human distinction save that of merit. In all matters of social progress, therefore, let us see to it that, while adhering steadfastly to our impeccable traditions and resisting all tendencies to static self-sufficiency, we stand on the side of the angels, and do all in our power to advance the forward march of civilisation amid the shelter of humanitarian sympathy and fervent charity which is rightly interpreted as Love. Human greed, national vain-

glory, international fears and suspicions, indifference to the sufferings of others or to the possible effect upon them of our own material advancement—all these things must needs be repugnant to a world-wide Order such as ours, founded upon Altruism or Brotherly Love, and deriving inspiration from the V.S.L. as the source of truth and honesty.

"That in a world of plenty, indeed of temporary surfeit, our fellow human beings should be faced with starvation or insufficiency of clothing or be compelled in some countries to live in unwholesome slum dwellings which might be deemed by considerate stockowners to be unfit for dumb animals, presents, problems to which our Craft cannot be wholly indifferent, and to which we, in the spirit of fraternity, wisdom and prudence, should bend our minds with the breadth of view, accuracy of reasoning, and sense of proportion which our Masonic education tends to inculcate. Selfishness, Fear, and Suspicion are held accountable for the chaotic condition of the world. Religion is being indicated as the most potent agency in attuning the minds of civilised peoples both to a full appreciation and diagnosis of current disorders and to the right method of effecting their cure. Freemasonry is not itself a religion. But it points the way to a manner of life and lays down certain principles for its conduct which are common to the religious of all civilised nations upon earth. It is the faithful handmaid of religion, and not, as some would have the uninitiated imagine, its rival or antagonist. If it is true that "Perfect love casteth out fear," if Altruism be the antithesis and corrective of Selfishness and Honesty the antidote to Suspicion, then surely Brotherly Love and Truth (as set forth in the V.S.L.), the grand principles which, with Love's practical application, constitute the foundations of our Order provide the key which will with certitude unlock the mystery-house of the world's present tribulations. With this equipment there is no more powerful, no more united, no more catholic or world-wide remedial force than the great and beneficent Order to which, brethren, you and I have the privilege to belong."

We quote a significant item from the report of one of the Provincial Grand Masters:

"The last of the havoc wrought to our Masonic buildings by the earthquake will be obliterated when Scinde Lodge opens its new temple at the end of this month, and we will all rejoice with unfeigned joy to see our oldest lodge back on its historic site."

Number of Lodges, 305. Membership, 26,003.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. His Excellency, The Rt. Hon. Lord Bledisloe.

Grand Secretary—V. W. Bro. H. A. Lamb.

E. T. B.

NORTH CAROLINA

One Hundred and Forty-sixth Communication, 1933. Grand Master Herbert C. Alexander. Alberta's Grand Representative was present. Many distinguished visitors were welcomed, including the Grand Master of Virginia, the Grand Master of Tennessee accompanied by several of his senior officers, and the Deputy Grand Master of South Carolina.

Some of the rulings given were: Refused to sanction begging letters, prohibited a lodge from holding a Sunday picnic with "beef

barbecue dinner," summons upon a brother in prison must be served at his prison address and not the home address, annulled the dimit from his lodge of a Worshipful Master who desired to affiliate elsewhere, it being stated that he had not "resigned with the consent of the Grand Master," but that if he would now resign and proceed as afore it would be all O.K. (One has always believed that a Worshipful Master could not resign and such at least is the practice in these parts.)

Four lecturers are provided at the lodges' expense for instruction on ritual. During the year lodges failed to employ these brethren sufficiently to give them a decent living so the Grand Master recommended that hereafter Grand Lodge pay them \$25.00 per week while the lodges shall pay their travelling and hotel expenses.

Through lack of funds the educational program has broken down. It was proposed for the coming year to follow the current vogue as followed in Massachusetts, New York and District of Columbia of centring on the candidate. Four lectures are given by a committee of three to five well-skilled brethren. The first lecture is given the candidate before he receives the E. A. degree, the second precedes the F.C. degree, the third previous to the M.M. degree and the final is delivered after and concerns his conduct as a Mason.

During the stress, turmoil and uncertainty which prevailed in the month of March, 1933, and the universal desire to co-operate with President Roosevelt (member of Holland Lodge, New York City), the Grand Master ordered every constituent lodge to hold a simultaneous meeting on April 3rd. The purpose was for a re-dedication of each and all to the principles and ideals of Freemasonry and prayers for the President in his unprecedented attempt to provide a "New Deal" for a great people bewildered with unemployment and disturbed to distraction by tottering banks. Needless to say the event was pre-eminently successful with a follow-through which has stimulated the Craft very deeply.

Surveying the condition of Masonry, the Grand Master believes that in many cases debt is stifling the enthusiasm and activities of lodges and he thinks there should be some measure of control.

Recognition was accorded to Grand Lodges of Bulgaria, Valle de Mexico, Poland and Nicaragua.

North Carolina is giving attention to having its history collected and written. The Grand Historian in his first report recommends that a Lodge Historian as a regular officer be appointed in each lodge, his duties being to collect local Masonic history and co-operate with the Grand Historian. A written annual report would be expected from these Lodge Historians. A Masonic museum in the "Masonic Temple" for the reception of all articles of interest was planned. A sum of money was appropriated for stenographer and supplies in the carrying out of the duties of the Grand Historian.

Costs of maintenance at the Home have been whittled down since 1930 from \$416.80 to \$330.92 in 1933. During the year there was an average of 65 inmates.

Reporting on the dedication of the George Washington Memorial the Virginia Proceedings, in which jurisdiction the ceremony took place, were too dignified to make more than passing reference to the rain

which interfered with the occasion, but coming to North Carolina listen to this:

"The day came and with it the crowds, the dignitaries and all that, —but also the rain! The terse comment of President Watres on the event was, in his annual address of 1933, "It was a baptism." Outdoor plans were abandoned except for the parade which was duly executed amid the torrents. High hats by the hundreds were soaked in water, longtailed coats innumerable dripped rain from their skirts, many a Grand Lodge had to get a new Grand Master's apron because the official square of lambskin had been ruined by the downpour."

Proposals for a reduction in the per capita tax and minimum fees for degrees were not adopted. Recommendations of the Grand Master to increase the usefulness of the Grand Lodge Library by appointing a salaried official and expending \$1,000 on books, and the purchase for presentation to candidates of the book "Introduction to Freemasonry" failed to receive the support of the Finance Committee on the grounds of economy.

The Jurisprudence Committee believed that the expense incidental to trial by commission forebade its adoption at the moment.

One always comes to the reviewer's report of J. Edward Allen with pleasure and expectation and never is disappointed. His remarks for introduction contain so much of merit that we shall quote extensively:

"To hold its membership Masonry must offer to them something which is satisfying. If Masonry has nothing satisfying to a given member, that member is lost. It is well not to forget this. Let us see some of its applications.

"All members of our lodges may be divided into three classes—those who are attracted by the Masonic ritual, those who will attend lodge and take part in its activities because they find other modes than a ritual of satisfaction therein, and those who do not take part in any lodge activity nor will they.

"Taking the second class first, there are in these days many thousands of Masons who want no more of degree work. It is not inspiring, stimulating or satisfying to them. They shun it. But they see in the beauties of Masonry its philosophical background, its social philosophy, that which appeals to them. They love Masonry in spite of its ritual, its lectures, its circumambulation, its dialogue, its addresses and readings. There are in existence to-day certain organizations making good standing in Masonry a pre-requisite which number in their membership many Masonic leaders, which have rituals of their own but frankly never use them—they appeal to those who have borne the burden and heat of the day in degree work and desire to lie down in the pastures green of philosophy, pure and applied. One sees few of these taking dimits or going via the N.P.D. route—it is only those who have tired of ritual without finding its consummation in philosophy and Masonic living, who depart from us voluntarily.

"We must always depend on Masons who love a beautiful ritual beautifully exemplified. We have a profound vote of gratitude to those fellows who really feel that the biggest thing in Masonry is to make the very best, deepest and most profound impression on the candidate in the ceremonies. We must help them to expand the great vision so that if they weary of this work they will proceed to the other group of those who delve in the philosophy and the applications of Masonry's teachings. Many thousands of these good ritualists have withdrawn from

us because they have not been drawn into its applications. We have not yet found one who had learned the true secrets of a Master Mason who saw fit to throw them overboard. It takes untold patience to be a real Master Mason. He who is outside the circle of true Freemasonry will eventually be lost or become known for what he is.

"The name of Freemasonry is indeed a talisman to many. We know that there are many on our rolls today who keep their names on the books because of the prestige of that name; men who have not attended a meeting in a decade, who have no notion of the real meaning of Masonry in theory or practice but who pay their dues as promptly as anybody. To them Masonry is satisfying because the magic of the name is something with which they do not desire to part. Try to enlist one such in lodge work and he finds it necessary to do something else. He pays his dues and assessments but his voluntary contributions are likely to be small. Of the philosophy of Masonry he knows nothing. When a financial pinch comes and he has to dispense with some of the things which lend respectability to life, he throws Masonry overboard.

"Of the three classes listed we find a dwindling number of ritualists. We must seek and get more of thinkers. Once we get none of these, lose what we have, then we find an impoverished personnel indeed.

"The considerations just set out furnish the key to the problem of Masonic education. Nobody today knows the solution of the riddle of Masonic education. Almost every Grand Lodge has at one time or another in the past fifteen years thought it had found out what Masonic education ought to be—and almost every one of them has been forced to admit that it was wrong. The latest theory—that Masonic education should be directed to the candidate only—is only an admission that a process of elimination of trial and error has brought us to that candidate as a likely subject. It is partly correct. The truth is that no form of Masonic education is correct in theory or successful in practice unless it makes Masonry more satisfying to Masons. O Education what ghastly errors have been committed in thy name. Thou hast been esteemed a talisman, a panacea until came the Great Disillusionment! (Brother Allen is State Superintendent of Schools).

"We can learn much from practical educational experience in our work in Masonic education. Why not start on the other fellows level? We have seen some interesting Masonic meetings studying the abduction of William Morgan, its causes and effects. We have seen others getting with avidity the facts about Mormonism and its relations with Masonry. We have found groups getting a great kick out of a study of Prine Hall Masonry. The ups and downs of William Preston have intrigued many to their profit. A dozen other topics to add to these can easily be found—and will make a successful series of programs in the ascending scale."

Brother Allen adorns his review with choice poetic quotations which neatly fill the blanks and finish the page following each review. Like occasional sweet scented flowers in a garden they appeal to us and being a flower lover this selection carried a message which we desire to pass along.

*"A garden is a lovesome thing, God wot!
Rose plot,
Fringed pool,
Fern'd grot—*

*The veriest school
Of peace; and yet the fool
Contends that God is not—
Not God! in gardens! when the eve is cool?
Nay but I have a sign;
'Tis very sure God walks in mine."*

Membership, 33,644. Loss, 1,177.

M. W. Grand Master—Peter T. Wilson.

R. W. Grand Secretary—J. E. Anderson.

V.H.M.

NORTH DAKOTA

Forty-fourth Annual Communication, Fargo, June 20th and 21st, 1933.

Grand Master John W. Robinson was so punctual that he opened Grand Lodge half an hour ahead of time. But there were several preliminaries, such a community singing, the singing of "America" and "America the Beautiful," and the Flag Ceremony, all of which is said to have constituted a fine opening. The brethren were allowed to discard their coats on account of the high temperature. This innovation would have been welcomed in Calgary last June, we are sure.

In a moving ceremony seven Fifty Year Masons were doubly welcomed, and given the Grand Honours.

The Grand Master was confident that in spite of unusual adversities, financial difficulties and business depression the quality and spirit of Masonry were not seriously affected. Peace and harmony prevailed in the Grand Jurisdiction. The opinion was put forward that with modern facilities for rapid transportation distance was no longer the handicap that confronted the brethren at the time some of the earlier lodges were organized, and that good business judgment might be exercised in considering the advisability of consolidation in some instances. This is a problem that will have to be dealt with in many jurisdictions.

There had been 623 members suspended for non-payment of dues, while 1,038 members had their dues remitted. One lodge suspended 20 percent of its membership N.P.D. In some lodges the numbers whose dues had been remitted was over 50 per cent of the total membership.

Three dispensations had been granted to three lodges to hold "open air meetings" on a high hill or in a low vale.

Many requests had been received for approval of By-laws lowering the dues and fees in constituent lodges, and while these had been approved, yet the Grand Master thought that they should not become panicky when confronted with financial difficulties, and make concessions that might be regretted later. He therefore recommended that Grand Lodge consider no further reduction, at the present time, in either dues or fees below the minimum now established. Further on in his address the Grand Master said: "We again urge the teaching of our Craft the

absolute necessity of handling our lodges upon strictly sound business principles and management. While, under the present financial conditions we may feel that desired changes may be difficult to arrange, nevertheless we must admit that much of our trouble is due to the fact that continued prosperity has promoted a tendency to carelessness in regarding our obligations as something not so essential, but recent experiences have doubtless proven to many of us that our future depends upon leadership and management."

The recommendation that Grand Lodge definitely restate its position upon the question of Masons engaging in the sale of liquor was not acted upon.

The Fraternal Correspondent in his report remarked upon the tendency of Grand Lodges to adopt the great American habit of passing laws on every subject under the sun, and commended the Jurisprudence Committee for acting as buffers and fool-killers. The "odorous Shrine lottery," as it is stigmatized, in California comes in for severe condemnation. He found that lodges and Grand Lodges were, in these times of financial stress, facing the situation with a heartening spirit of service to unfortunate brethren.

M. W. Bro. Walter F. Murfin, Past Grand Master, presented his fifth Report on Fraternal Correspondence, and as always has given us a most interesting picture of each Grand Jurisdiction. It is difficult to decide whether one learns more from the information that he has set out, or from his bright and pithy comments thereon. We enjoyed the reading of all of them. Alberta occupies two pages in the Review, and the Grand Master's address is freely drawn on, always with approval. We are pleased that this reviewer's efforts are appreciated.

M. W. Bro. Earl K. Bitzing, Fargo, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

NOVA SCOTIA

The Sixty-eighth Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was held at Halifax on 14th June, 1933, M. W. Bro. Reginald V. Harris presiding.

We did not notice Alberta's representative among those present;

Among the distinguished visitors were R. W. Bro. Sir Newton J. Moore, Past Pro Grand Master of Western Australia, M. W. Bros. Sinclair and Nicholson of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island and V. W. Bro. Williams, Grand Deacon of the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland.

"That there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house while it was building."

afforded the theme upon which R. W. Bro. Archbishop Worrall addressed the meeting. An old subject treated in a new interesting fashion.

We have met the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Harris. We have also listened to him. These events took place at the now famous dedication meeting in London. He was the principal speaker at one

of the luncheons. The subject was "Nova Scotia." It was also the predicate and the object, and all the other components which make up an address. Our ideas had to undergo violent revision. Up to that point we had an idea that Nova Scotia was one of the Provinces which "came in" at the time of confederation. Now we know that Nova Scotia just annexed the rest of Canada and we have been in a state of complete inferiority and subjection ever since. That at least is the state of mental uproar in which we found ourselves when Bro. Harris was through. At the same time we Canadians present at that meeting were exceedingly proud of this capable, forceful Grand Master, who did not hesitate to claim a place in the sun for his Native Province, and at the same time upheld the honor and dignity of all Canada. Incidentally Bro. Harris is a Masonic Author and Playwright of note and distinction.

The Grand Master's address is a lengthy document replete with interest and indicative of an extremely busy year of varied activities.

In addition to attending all District Meetings the Grand Master visited many lodges in his own jurisdiction and went afield to meetings in Ontario and Prince Edward Island.

The Grand Master makes various recommendations to provide financial safeguards. Most of them, e.g. Deposits in Chartered Banks, Safety Deposit Boxes, funds invested in Trustees Securities only, are in force generally throughout Alberta and are worthy of consideration by all subordinate lodges.

The bicentenary of Masonry in Nova Scotia falls to be observed in 1938—the first lodge having been formed at Annapolis Royal in 1738 and plans are already being formulated for a suitable celebration.

The Masonic Home has now functioned for 25 years and had rendered during that period splendid service to aged brethren.

The Grand Master makes a suggestion worthy of consideration, namely, that one regular meeting of each year be called Grand Lodge Night at which the Master should tell what he saw and heard at Grand Lodge. To this might be added the reading of the Foreign Correspondence.

Grand Lodge laid over requests for recognition from Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic, Grand Orient of Portugal, Supreme Council of Brazil, Grand Lodge of Spain, Grand Lodge of Uruguay and the Grand Orient of Belgium and definitely refused recognition of the Grand Lodge of Bahia and the Grand Lodge of Argentine Masonry.

The Grand Secretary reports 82 lodges with a total membership of 9,669, a loss of 266.

Ninety-one petitions for initiation were rejected during the year. Hard times does not mean a "letting down of the bars" in Nova Scotia.

Apart from the work done by the Masonic Home, 38 cases were assisted from Benevolent Fund.

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s are brief and to the point. One of these worthy brethren refers to the Grand Master as "the Most Excellent Grand Master." A trifle inaccurate Masonically, but very apt when applied to M. W. Bro. Harris.

There is a particularly fine review of 61 Grand Jurisdictions. Alberta comes in for extended and kindly mention.

Having read the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, having listened to M. W. Bro. Harris in London and to our own M. W. Bro. Kerby in Calgary, we are torn between a desire to move to Calgary and to rush to a new domicile in Nova Scotia. A debate between these two worthy Masons on the merits of their respective Provinces (there are no demerits) would be worth much more than the price of admissions

G.M.B.

OHIO

One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Communication held at Columbus, October 18th, 1933.

Grand Master, Simeon Nash.

Number of lodges, 620. Membership, 190,355. Net loss, 8,929.

Alberta is represented by Bro. J. P. McCune, its regular representative.

Again the Eighteenth Amendment is causing trouble and Ohio disposes of it by ruling that so long as the present Legislation is effective, 3.2 percent beer will be considered non-intoxicating, but that it may not be sold or used in any Masonic Temple.

Regulations for the handling of relief or benevolent payments by local lodges are suggested by the Grand Master. We like his description of this fund as "Brotherly Love Fund."

There are full descriptions in these Proceedings of the Peace Memorial Temple in London, England, opened last summer. Those of the Grand Master who was present, and of Bro. A. Tryston Edwards, F.R.I.B.A., are certainly worth the attention of anyone interested in this magnificent project. We note, too, that in Appendix B of the Proceedings the score of the music used in the dedication ceremonies is reproduced in full.

Grand Master Nash has many kind words to say about his reception at the hands of our English brethren. Among others he remarks: "Mingling as we did, not only with our English brethren, but with Representatives of many nations, we sensed that demonstration, (of brotherhood in action) but it is proper to stress the impression made upon us by our contact with those who speak our language, those whose systems and thoughts are the ancestors of our own institutions. There were none from America who did not feel our kinship."

Grand Master Nash is severe on lotteries and other money raising schemes and condemns them in one particular clause. We wish to quote: "That the rule applies to all Masons, whether they are acting within the subordinate lodge or within some other organization whose membership is well known to be predicated upon Masonic membership."

From the heading "Looking Ahead" we quote the following: "Preachers, philosophers, economists, thinkers, welfare workers and the

world in general are divided into two schools of thought. Some say that mankind will destroy himself by the misuse of this time; others that he will uplift his moral, mental and spiritual plane by the many profitable uses which obviously may be made by him of that time.

"There can be no doubt as to the school of thought, on this subject to which we, as Masons, adhere. It is not a new thing for us to say that in the lodge room we teach lessons and principles of life which guide us day by day outside the lodge room. We have been saying that and we have been practising that, through the ages. Today the world finds here in Masonry, ready made for use in this emergency, that is to say in this readjustment of mankind to this changed condition of life, an instrument and tool which, as a hand-maiden to religion, will enable mankind to justify the confidence God has reposed in us, and to justify the belief of those who say that mankind will make proper use of this leisure time which has been presented to him by the great Creator. Anyone who can get a glimpse of the plans provided for us by the Great Architect of the Universe sees at once that our great Institution is indeed one of His instruments. Let us make the full and proper use of that instrument and our great Institution will blossom to greater flower than ever before as the the years come to us."

The ever present question of Temple building is again commented on in the following words of the Grand Secretary: "The burden of a Temple debt has, in some instances, so seriously disturbed the morale of the lodge, the spirit of unity is well-nigh missing. It is a fine thing to have a Temple providing it can be had without debt and its maintenance and operation do not drain the finances of the lodge and tax unreasonably its members."

Requests for recognition are reviewed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence on eight Grand Lodges, but all have been postponed pending receipt of further information. The eight Grand Lodges are: The Grand Lodge of San Paulo, Brazil; The Grand Lodge of Parahyba, Brazil; The Grand Lodge of Argentine; The Grand Lodge of Lessing of the Three Rings, Prague; The Grand Lodge of Sweden; The Grand Lodge of Denmark; The Grand Lodge of Norway; The Grand Lodge of France.

We would particularly point the attention of those interested in Masonic Research and Education to Appendix C of the Proceedings of Ohio. The report is headed "Progress in Masonic Education in Ohio" and is brim full of ideas for anyone interested in this important work.

The Proceedings of Alberta for 1932 are generously reviewed.

Next Annual Communication at Cleveland, October 17th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—Sam H. Squire, Elyria.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Harry S. Johnson, Cincinnati.

A. M. M.

OKLAHOMA

The M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma held its Twenty-fifth Annual Communication at Guthrie on February 14th, 15th and 16th, 1933, with M. W. Bro. James I. Phelps, Grand Master, presiding.

In replying to the Address of Welcome Bro. W. E. Crowe drove home a few truths when he stated that the remedy for a world sick materially and spiritually was a return to fundamentals, back to the Landmarks of Freemasonry and back to the faith of our Fathers.

W. Bro. Henry J. Johnson represented Alberta.

In common with many jurisdictions the effects of the depression, were felt in Oklahoma, but the Grand Master exhorts his brethren not to allow adversity and privation to destroy them, but to make them stepping stones to greater things, never forgetting the principles of our Order, of the strong protecting the weak.

Among the decisions of the Grand Master, we quote the following:

"A brother suspended for N.P.D. and died under that suspension his surviving relatives could not pay up the delinquency and have the records of the lodge show he died in good standing."

"That where a brother pleads guilty to a felony in a Federal Court and his punishment is fixed at imprisonment, he is automatically indefinitely suspended."

Several years ago this Grand Lodge sponsored a Boy Scout Camp, a deed of land having been donated by one of their brethren. The Grand Lodge now finds this will be a source of expense to them and the Grand Master recommends that it be turned over to the Black Beaver Boy Scout Council on payment of the outstanding debts.

Oklahoma has a Building Supervisory Board whose duty it is to consider ways and means and advise lodges contemplating buying or building their own lodge quarters. There can be no doubt but that such a committee is of great service to the lodges, especially in trying and difficult times through which we have been passing. A full report is set out in the Proceedings.

The Report of the Board of Control of the Masonic Homes shows that financial difficulties have been encountered. There are children in the Home having estates ranging from a few hundred to three thousand dollars and a resolution was passed providing for the payment by the guardians of these children of the actual cost of their maintenance in the Masonic Home.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations recommended to extend fraternal recognition to the National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia, of Prague. Recognition was refused to the Grand Lodge of the State of San Paulo, Brazil and the Grand Lodge "Lessing du den drei Ringen."

To the Masonic student the reviewer would like to commend the address of Bro. John R. Abernathy. For some years past this brother has been delivering addresses in Grand Lodge, making a specialty of the Entered Apprentice Degree. He states that he has formulated a series of ten lectures on this one degree and finds Masonry thought provoking.

When the announcement of the election of Bro. M. F. Manville as Grand Master was made he accepted the office by delivering a stirring address on the programme he had outlined for his year of office. We wish him well and shall watch with kindly interest the results of his labors.

M. W. Bro. Thomas C. Humphry presents his twenty-eighth report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. He tells us he is 86

years of age and after receiving so many compliments he began to think he was perhaps the oldest Past Grand Master in the United States and believed if he really were he would be entitled to a free ticket to the next circus, thus showing that though old in years he still retains youthful ideas. We appreciate the kindly reference to Alberta.

M. W. Bro. Hahlon F. Manville, Ada, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Claude A. Sturgeon, Guthrie, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

OREGON

Eighty-third Annual Communication, Portland, June 14th, 15th and 16th, 1933.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form in the Commandery Room of the Masonic Temple, Portland, by Most Worshipful Grand Master Walter C. Winslow.

Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. Edgar H. Sensenich, answered the Roll Call.

Immediately after the opening the Scottish Rite Chorus furnished a program of music.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present, and were invited to seats in the Grand East.

The Grand Master referred very feelingly to the many courtesies and kindnesses that had been shown him both within and without Oregon, and to the loyalty, allegiance and fidelity that had been everywhere expressed to him.

The need for practical assistance in Oregon is still apparently strong, as out of a total income of \$88,200.00 Grand Lodge spent the sum of \$69,820.00 for charity in one form or another.

Two Masonic Halls were dedicated, at Clatskanie and Newberg respectively.

There was a decided downward revision of dues, fees for degrees and salaries of Secretaries in subordinate lodges.

The Grand Master sees a danger in modern tendencies. "Misunderstanding is rampant. The divorce tide has threatened the home. The waves of discontent, lawlessness and want are beating hard upon our ship of state. The great tidal wave of international discontent, selfishness and bitterness has unleashed itself, creating conditions to the East and to the West of us, which threaten the very stability of the world. In fact, one writer of prominence has described the situation by referring to Europe as the 'United Kingdom of Hate.' Unbelief has saturated the whole social fabric. In Russia it has become a national policy. There, they deny and challenge the existence of that Supreme Power in whom we, as Masons, have our trust, and upon whom we lean for guidance. There they are attempting to build a civilization upon the strength and wisdom of man alone. God has no place in their scheme of things. If they build aright, then we have builded wrong. We, as Masons, entertain no doubt that the contrary

is true, that this great experiment can end only in failure and revolution."

"During such times as these, we should study our chart and compass, get our bearings anew, and re-dedicate ourselves to those great fundamental principles of life upon which our fraternity is founded."

The Grand Master recommends more faith—faith in ourselves, faith in our fellows and faith in God. He, therefore, strongly emphasizes the need for Masonic education. Research Lodge has apparently been instituted to give the lead in this work. Its members are studying Masonry, and preparing papers and addresses on important Masonic subjects, and these members remain in readiness to respond to the call of any lodge within the jurisdiction. He defines the object of Masonic education to be that we may know the truth, the truth about Masonry, the truth about ourselves, the truth about life, the truth about God. And in the search for this truth he points out that it is not necessary to go to the four corners of the world, but that it is to be found upon the holy altar of the lodge room.

The total assets of Grand Lodge now amount to the imposing sum of \$967,560.28.

There was a net loss in membership of 1,055. Several lodges were unable to forward their annual dues in full, due chiefly to the closing of banks. Following the policy suggested by the Grand Master, the lodges have remitted the dues of worthy members who were unable to pay. As members to the number of 1,536 were thus relieved the income of subordinate lodges and Grand Lodge was considerably curtailed.

Fifty-year buttons were presented to fifteen members.

A Lodge of Sorrow was convened in memory of M. W. Bro. Robert S. Eakin, P.G.M., W. Bro. Andy Fritz, P.M., and departed Craftsmen. The Memorial Service is a very beautiful one.

The discussion on 3.2% beer is given in full, and makes interesting reading. The Grand Master had ruled that such beer was intoxicating; this ruling had been approved by the Jurisprudence Committee, and Grand Lodge endorsed the report. Considerable opposition was encountered before the motion was carried.

A very comprehensive and useful statement in membership rise and fall throughout the several home and foreign Grand Jurisdictions is given. All Canadian Grand Jurisdictions except that of New Brunswick show a net loss.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is given by Robert C. Wright, P.M., Chairman. The Editorial Foreword deals with several interesting topics, and is most informing. Alberta is given over five pages of sympathetic review.

M. W. Bro. Leslie M. Scott, Portland, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. D. Rufus Cheney, Portland, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons was held at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on December 27th, 1933, and quarterly communications were held on March 1st, June 7th, September 6th and December 6th, 1933.

At the quarterly communication held on March 1st, 1933, the Grand Secretary presented his report on membership indicating a net decrease during the year 1932 of 4,151. There were 2,028 initiated and 363 admitted during the year. The number suspended during the year exceeded those initiated by 50 per cent and the percentage of loss through death was slightly higher.

At this communication also there was presented a memorandum in memory of Bro. Wm. B. Joslyn who had been Grand Tyler for many years. Bro. Joslyn's Masonic record extending from 1876 to 1933 disclosed unceasing activity in the interests and work of Masonry for approximately 57 years and genuinely merited the recognition accorded it by Grand Lodge.

The quarterly communication held on June 7th, 1933, was devoted entirely to matters of routine.

At the quarterly communication held on September 6th, 1933, R. W. Bro. Harold N. Rust, Senior Grand Warden, presented the report of the Deputation to the United Grand Lodge of England on the occasion of the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial Temple in London, England, during the week of July 17th, 1933. R. W. Bro. Rust was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Robert R. Lewis, Junior Grand Warden, as the other member of the Deputation. The report while concise is very complete in regard to all material details and enables the reader to visualize very clearly the experience of the delegation on this memorable occasion.

At the quarterly communication held on December 6th, 1933, the financial reports of this Grand Lodge were presented for the fiscal year including the reports of the various funds being administered on behalf of the various benevolent activities of this Grand Lodge whose resources extend into millions of dollars. At this meeting Grand Officers were elected for the ensuing year.

At the Annual Communication held on December 27th, the Grand Officers were duly installed and both the outgoing and incoming Grand Masters delivered important and instructive addresses. From the address of Grand Master Page we learn he exercised his prerogative of making Masons at sight on nine occasions during the year. With regard to suspension of members delinquent in dues Grand Master Page said:

"An examination of the Auditors' reports indicated to me that some of the Lodges were guilty of wholesale suspension of members delinquent in the payment of their dues.

"I, accordingly, entered into correspondence with quite a number of the Lodges and in some instances it was found that while there was a technical compliance with the By-laws, there had been a failure on the part of the Lodges to take into consideration the human side of the problem and they had failed to interview the delinquent member.

"A considerable study was made of this problem and the one thought which it was my most earnest desire to drive home and to insist upon, is that in each case there must be a personal interview with the delinquent member and a careful inquiry into his financial ability to pay and of his interest in Freemasonry."

Grand Master Heiligman in his first address as Grand Master stressed several important Masonic subjects. Speaking of District Deputy Grand Masters he said:

"To be effective they must be efficient—should not only know the recognized ritualistic work, but should also have a knowledge of, and be familiar with, the Landmarks, the Customs, the Usages of the Fraternity, the Ahiman Rezon, and the Decisions of the Grand Masters; so that they may be enabled to perform the duties of the office.

"It is an office requiring intelligence, judgment, tact, forbearance, and much unrewarded labor; and a faithful, efficient and conscientious performance of duty is not only expected, but required."

Referring to commercialism in Freemasonry, we quote the following:

"Commercialism in Freemasonry is a practice that cannot be too severely condemned. Deep rooted in my heart is the belief that the member of our Fraternity who uses its name or insignia in any form whatsoever to further his material gain, has entirely misconstrued the objects and aims of the Fraternity and is not entitled to respect, encouragement or patronage.

"I cannot too emphatically disapprove the use of business cards with the name or names of Masonic organizations or symbolic designs. The placing of Masonic emblems on automobiles is exceedingly bad taste and has a tendency to cheapen the Fraternity, particularly in the minds of the profane; and generally speaking, I seriously doubt its effectiveness in trade."

Regarding Masonic Education Grand Master Heiligman refers to the efforts along this line which have been tried in various Grand Jurisdictions in recent years and intimates these efforts have met with varying results and in the methods employed have been largely experimental. He stresses leadership, a very necessary requisite to the successful advancement and progress of this work. We think he reaches the heart of the matter from a practical standpoint in his last sentence on this theme: "The main purpose being to gradually induce members to get on their feet and give expression to their thought and thus step by step enlarge their interest and knowledge in the meanings, metaphors and mysteries of Freemasonry."

We quote from the Grand Master's remarks on Library extension:

"One of the needs of the present age is the cultivation of the power of thinking.

"We are so prone to accept without question so much that is offered us in the way of information and advice without due thought and consideration that it seems as if serious thinking is fast drifting towards becoming a lost art.

"To properly develop the faculty of careful thinking, one must cultivate the mind through reading, and study the basic facts of a given subject.

"Applying this idea to Freemasonry and with the thought of its relation to Masonic education, I am firmly of the opinion that literature of a Masonic character should be made accessible to the rank and file of our membership. I am, therefore, hopeful of promoting wherever possible the establishment of Lodge libraries

under the supervision of the Secretary of the Lodge or a committee appointed for that purpose."

The Review of Proceedings of 65 Grand Jurisdictions is presented by the Chairman, R. W. Bro. Dick. In his foreword Bro. Dick quotes from the annual addresses of the Grand Masters of Manitoba and Canada in Ontario and concludes:

"Altogether, it is quite apparent that everywhere Freemasonry is passing through a crucible with every prospect that with the corrective resultants, it will shine forth with more effulgence and greater efficacy, fully capable of keeping aloft and on high the torch symbolical of Light, Truth and Benevolence."

The reviewer gives Alberta very favorable mention and gives particular attention to Grand Master Blackstock's address from which are quoted several extracts.

Total membership, 201,637. Net loss, 6,957.

R. W. Bro. Otto R. Heiligman, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John A. Perry, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The Twenty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippine Islands was held in the Masonic Temple, Manila, on the 24th, 25th and 26th days of January, A.D. 1933. M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Master, presided.

Grand Representatives of eighty-nine other Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance, Alberta's representative being among those present. In the roster in the printed Proceedings a brief legend follows the name of the jurisdiction embodying some interesting comment, this form of report being novel so far as the Reviewer's experience extends. The Grand Master extended a gracious welcome to these representatives, emphasizing the need that all Masons join efforts in the common endeavor to strengthen and confirm the spirit of harmony among nations the world over.

Other interesting events at the commencement of the Annual Communication were first a visit from ten brethren from H. M. Cruiser "Kent" who were members of lodges in England or Scotland and who received a very cordial welcome, and second an address of welcome by Governor General Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, who was accompanied by members of his cabinet and staff.

The Grand Master's annual address or report is a very voluminous document, comprising over fifty-seven pages of printed material, embracing, however, in extenso numerous communications, edicts and reports. Among the subjects dealt with by the Grand Master in addition to the usual matters of routine and organization may be mentioned: (1) Appreciative reference to Grand Secretary M. W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort who had for some time been subject to a serious illness. (2) Appreciative reference to the District Inspectors who would appear to have much the same functions as District Deputy Grand Masters, but who have assigned to their charge a much smaller

number of lodges. The District Inspectors were exhorted to give the very closest attention to the lodges under their direction and it appears that conventions of these District Inspectors were held quarterly. (3) Celebration of the bi-centennial of the birth of Bro. George Washington. A commemorative medal was issued by Grand Lodge in connection with this bi-centennial. (4) Appreciative reference to brethren who had been made Masons under the Spanish Regime. Twenty Masonic pioneers were named by the Grand Master and received a tribute of respect from the Grand Lodge. (5) Report on the condition of Amity Lodge No. 106 located at Shanghai, China, based on a personal visit by the Grand Master. (6) Granting of dispensation to sixteen Masons of Nanking, China, for the institution of Nanking Lodge U.D. (7) Appeal for assistance from the Masons throughout the jurisdiction in aid of victims of a typhoon which on April 29th, 1932, caused much distress in the Island of Sulu and which particularly affected the southernmost lodge in the Philippine Archipelago. A generous response to the Grand Master's appeal was received and forwarded to this lodge for the benefit of their members affected. (8) The 200th Anniversary being celebrated by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

The Grand Master recommended that the incoming Grand Master by edict direct such portions of the Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodge as may in his judgment be most important be read at the meetings of each lodge for the information of the members thereof and that mention of this proceeding shall be made in the minutes of the lodge.

On November 17th, 1932, Grand Lodge celebrated in Manila the 20th Anniversary of its foundation which occurred on November 17th, 1912. This special occasion was one of the most outstanding events in the history of Masonry in the Philippine Islands. One thousand brethren were in attendance and the splendid programme rendered in their presence was broadcast by radio. The Grand Master gave his fullest support to a suggestion that an inquiry be conducted to establish the place and time of the holding of the first Masonic lodge in the Philippine Islands and that a suitable commemorative memorial be established on the site.

The Grand Master dealt exhaustively with the proposal submitted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts suggesting that all five Grand Lodges having subordinate lodges established in China unite in setting up an Advisory Council on Masonic matters in Northern China. Grand Master Gonzalez after an extended argument expressed his opinion that the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands should not subscribe to the plan proposed by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

In the course of the year the Grand Master made a total of 127 visits to Masonic lodge meetings or other Masonic occasions and visited all the lodges in the jurisdiction except five.

Throughout the Grand Master's address there is seen from time to time the theme that the Masonic fraternity has a mission with respect to the outside world and in several places the suggestion is found that the Masonic lodge should cause its light to shine in the community in which its members are living. It is interesting to note that in the Philippine Islands the practice of holding public installations exists and that on many Masonic occasions the public are more or less made welcome, presumably on the principle that the prestige of Masonry would thereby be increased. These remarks are not made in a critical spirit as it might well be that conditions in an Oriental country might make

such a policy desirable whereas in a staid Anglo-Saxon community all publicity with respect to Masonic functions is avoided. Grand Master Gonzalez' address evidences that he has in no small measure been inspired by a Masonic missionary spirit.

The two reports which made the strongest impression on the reviewer were those of the Senior Grand Lecturer and the Report of the Committee for Foreign Correspondence. The Senior Grand Lecturer approved and recommended the continuance of the practice of holding conventions of Inspectors of Lodges as well as what were called District conventions in the nature of regional or provincial conferences of Master Masons. He sets forth several important findings which were based upon his experience following a wide contact with the lodges and members of the Craft during his year of office. He states that individual members are the best type of citizen and are willing to exert every effort to strengthen the Masonic tie. Under the finding entitled "Practical Masonry" he says:

"They (the brethren) have begun to realize that Masonry should be practised without the tyled door of their lodge meetings with the view to making the public and non-initiates cognizant of the fact that Masonry is an asset which has been established for the common good, and is an institution not antagonistic to any especial religion or form of government."

Regarding lodge attendance he finds it to have been very poor especially on the part of those of longest Masonic experience. Many lodges are finding difficulty in holding their meetings for lack of a quorum. The plan of having lectures on Masonic subjects form part of the programme of the lodge meeting was considered by the Grand Lecturer as having been helpful. Much of the difficulty in the lodges is attributed by the Grand Lecturer to the prevailing economic depression.

Among the recommendations by the Senior Grand Lecturer were: (1) Organization of permanent degree teams, English and Spanish. It would appear that inasmuch as these teams are expected to work in Manila and vicinity that the lodges are finding difficulty in getting proper exemplification of the work by their regular officers. Under the title of Appointment of Inspectors he recommends that an Inspector be placed in charge of only one lodge and be a Past Master of that lodge, not holding any elective office in the lodge and that the Inspector should submit a report to the Senior Grand Lecturer. This plan seems to carry the supervision of Grand Lodge quite a long way into the realm of paternalism, but quite possibly the peculiar conditions existing in this Grand Jurisdiction of the Philippine Islands may justify this type of inspection and report. He also recommended the use of dialects in the lodge meetings and Grand Lodge confirmed this recommendation except in the matter of conferring the ritual which was required to be conferred either in English or Spanish.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence deals with the question of recognition of twenty-two jurisdictions which had made application. Recognition is granted to the Grand Lodge of Argentina; the Grand Lodge of Bahia (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Minas Geraes (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Para (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Parahyba (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Bolivia; the Grand Lodge of Honduras; the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua; and the Grand Lodge del Pacifico (Guaymas, Mexico).

Fraternal recognition was withdrawn from the National Grand Lodge of Egypt and the Grand Orient of Brazil. Grand Lodge declined to establish fraternal relations with three newly organized Grand Bodies, one in Argentina, one in Uruguay and one in Denmark, on the ground that recognition had already been granted to an older established and more regularly constituted Grand Lodge in the same territorial jurisdiction. On the recommendation of the committee action was postponed in respect of the Grand Lodge of Ceara (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Matto-Grosso (Brazil); the Grand Lodge of Rio Grande do Sul (Porto Alegre, Brazil); the Gran Logia Unida "La Oriental Peninsular," and the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Palestine.

The Grand Oration was delivered by M. W. Bro. Schmidt, P.G.M., and had for its central theme intolerance and the value of Masonry in overcoming that form of evil. We quote his final paragraph:

"Brethren, let us not relent or let up in the war against intolerance that is, or should be, constantly going on within us. Let us respect each other's opinions and beliefs. Let us look for the good in our fellow man and not for the bad. Let us seek out the points upon which we may agree and not those concerning which we disagree and clash. Let toleration seal our lips and stay our pens when a strict adherence to our tenets and principles does not make it mandatory for us to speak. In other words, let us be Masons!"

The Grand Lodge rejected a proposal to reduce the fee for the degrees but accepted a proposal making the fee payable in instalments. A proposal for Grand Lodge in certain cases defraying the expenses for the funeral of any active brother Master Mason without any additional charge against subordinate lodges was rejected. The Grand Master's reports with reference to affairs in Northern China were endorsed by the Grand Lodge and a charter granted to Nanking Lodge No. 108, located at Nanking, China.

The fraternal reviews of Proceedings of other Jurisdictions was presented by the committee under the chairmanship of Past Grand Master George R. Harvey. In his foreword he intimates that his researches have intimated that lectures on Masonic subjects have not been successful in creating interest in the members in our Masonic institution and considers this form of educational work a doubtful experiment. He also finds many of the reports of the Grand Masters are discouraging in their tone but Bro. Harvey still asserts his optimism as to the future of Masonry.

For some reason no Review of Alberta's Proceedings appears. If this has been due to non receipt of the copy of the Alberta Proceedings for any particular year and the Reviewer will kindly so advise the chairman of this Committee, the omission will be supplied. The Secretary's report disclosed a loss during the year 1932 of 247 and a membership December, 31st 1932, of 6,092.

We find in our Review published in the Alberta Proceedings for 1933 the membership as at December 31st, 1931, was stated at 5,339. This was a typographical error and should have read 6,339, a mistake we very much regret.

Number of Lodges 108. Membership 6,092. Decrease 247.

M. W. Bro. Dr. Stanton Youngberg, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was held on 10th October, 1932, for the purpose of laying the Foundation Stone of the New Prince Edward Island Hospital at Charlottetown. The ceremony was conducted by M. W. Bro. Robert A. Gordon, Grand Master, in the presence of a large number of Grand Lodge officers, Past Grand Masters and about 150 Master Masons.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Communication was held at Summerside on 28th June, 1933, presided over by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. R. A. Gordon, just before his departure to represent his Grand Lodge at the Dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple in London.

The reading of the report of that communication stirs the mind, recalls memories of the wonderful meeting in London and awakens cheerful thoughts of friendship formed on that occasion.

A picture comes up—The Grand Master himself—dignified reserved, resplendent in morning dress with a shiny “topper” and requisite etceteras. And here we have M. W. Bro. L. M. McKinnon, similarly arrayed—the uniformity in dress was wonderful to behold—very dignified, quite approachable and with a twinkle in his eye which belied his otherwise serious deportment. Closer acquaintance fulfilled the promise of the “Twinkle.” Prince Edward Island was well and ably represented in London. In our reviews of the Proceedings of the Canadian Grand Lodges there is likely to appear some references to the London meeting. We fancy the various provinces would like to know the truth about the men they “sent over”. We won’t give them too much.

At the Fifty-eighth Communication we are glad to notice that Alberta was represented.

M. W. Bro. Sir Newton Moore, Past Pro. Grand Master of Western Australia was a visitor at this meeting and delivered a Masonic address.

Having met the man we find the Grand Master’s address just what we would expect, philosophical, thoughtful and scholarly. He visited every lodge in his jurisdiction. In addition he visited in Halifax, Nova Scotia and the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

He indicates that in the absence of degree work interest is being stimulated by means of lectures, question box, etc.

It is pointed out forcefully that in benevolent matters there is a tendency on the part of lodges to throw the whole burden on Grand Lodge and to ignore their own responsibility. We seem to have heard the same sentiments expressed by Grand Masters and Benevolent Committees all over this continent. Surely by this time the lesson should have been learned by the lodges.

A number of dispensations were granted, all of a routine character.

A thoughtful paragraph deals with the “Condition of the Craft.” The apathy of Past Masters comes in for comment and the necessity of proper selection of material in our initiates.

The Grand Secretary reports a membership of 1,177, a decrease of 39.

The Benevolent Fund amounts to \$15,122.27 and the Orphan Fund to \$1,293.80.

The title of Honorary Past Grand Master was conferred on M. W. Bro. Reginal V. Harris, G. M. of Nova Scotia, honoraris causa and to mark the appreciation of the Islanders for the assistance given in the past by this virile Nova Scotian.

Bro. S. M. Daniel was elected Grand Master.
There is no Fraternal Correspondence.

G. M. B.

QUEBEC

The Sixty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was held in Montreal on 8th February, 1933, M. W. Bro. McDonald presiding.

We are glad to know that R. W. Bro. Sornbergh is restored to health and was in his place representing the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

Quebec now musters 92 lodges, 86 of which were represented.

The Grand Master visited a lodge in New York and attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodges of Maine, Vermont and Canada in Ontario. Two new temples were dedicated one being at Noranda.

The Grand Lodge of Quebec had the pleasure of entertaining R. W. Bro. The Marquess of Zetland, Provincial Grand Master of the North and East Riding of Yorkshire.

The Grand Master makes some timely suggestions to the officers of lodges which when condensed are:

1. Start Lodge promptly.
2. Live within your income.
3. Don't reduce dues below \$5.00.
4. Start a charity fund and don't look to Grand Lodge for assistance in every case.
5. Make meetings attractive.

A delightful address was delivered by Bro. Rev. DeWitt Scott. In it he reminds us,

"that lip reverence and lip loyalty are of little account in a day when all shall be tried as to the kind of building in which we engage."

The Grand Secretary's report is a mixture of pessimism and optimism. Prevailing economic conditions have hit Quebec and a decrease in membership of 339 is reported. Bro. Williamson hopes that we have turned the corner. It seems to us that in the past four years we have come to the mythical corner so often that we are now running around in circles. Instead of a corner we should be looking for a suitable tangent. However, any Grand Secretary who is able to report that every lodge in Quebec has discharged its liabilities to Grand Lodge has little to complain of. Bro. Williamson is in this happy position.

The balance sheet shows a sound position with liquid assets of \$359,525.17.

The Proceedings contain the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s—all very readable and interesting. We enjoy one who referred to guest speakers who are often left until midnight before being called upon and who are then asked to curtail their speeches. The writer has had this interesting but unfortunate experience. Many thanks to R. W. Bro. A. J. B. Milborne who has thus taken up cudgels on behalf of guest speakers. Will Masters of lodges please note, mark, inwardly digest—and act accordingly.

Another D.D.G.M. reports the formation of a study club open to all Masons. The virus of Masonic education is spreading. Long may this continue.

The sum of \$8,225.00 was expended in Benevolence.

Recognition was extended to National Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia and the Grand Lodge of Mexico.

A resolution was passed and was referred to the Finance Committee dealing with the establishment of a Masonic library.

Grand Lodge is of the opinion that closer financial "control" of subordinate lodges should be exercised by Grand Lodge and a committee was appointed by the Grand Master to study the question and report. This is treading on exceedingly delicate ground and may provoke undesirable controversy. We expect that if the committee endorses and presents the resolution for final approval that it will substitute the word "supervision" for "control."

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry presents an interesting report. Finance is predominant and in dealing with the question of Life Membership the committee pointedly remarks.

"The poor, the sick, the distressed cannot be cared for on tradition or sentiment and there is a definite element of business administration which must be taken into consideration by lodges if they desire that the lodge shall efficiently carry out its purpose. Your Committee would therefore recommend that strict business principles be adhered to in all lodges."

These timely observations are applicable beyond the Province of Quebec.

Alberta receives due and kindly notice in the Report of Foreign Correspondence.

G.M.B.

QUEENSLAND

Proceedings ending June, 1933.

We quote part of a message to Grand Lodge from the M. W. Grand Master, His Excellency Sir John Goodwin:

"I do not think that ever before in the history of the world have the teachings and principles of Freemasonry been more needed than they are to-day, the whole world is in a state of unrest, and if only the ideals of our order could be acted up to, and brotherly love could be incul-

cated in the souls and minds of men, then indeed we might look with more happy confidence to the future."

M. W. Bro. W. H. Green, P.G.M., was elected Grand Master for the third time. We quote from his inaugural address:

"Unattached Brethren.—I desire to refer to the important question of Unattached Brethren. In these times of difficulty, surely it is not too much to expect that those who are in a position to afford it, should connect themselves with our Lodges and thus assist in carrying on the important work. Unfortunately, we find that many of these brethren claim all the privileges of Freemasonry, thus often financially embarrassing our Lodges, and yet are not prepared to share the burden. The least we can say concerning such is that they are proving themselves unworthy of Freemasonry, and that our Lodges would be quite justified in denying them admission, and the participation of the privileges associated therewith."

He refers also to the satisfactory position of the Finances and Benevolent Funds.

We quote at length the concluding part of his address:

"We cannot lose sight of the fact that one of the great condemnations hurled at Freemasonry is that we are a selfish organization—self-centred and self-contained.

"Whilst this is in direct contradiction to the whole of the teachings of Freemasonry, yet I am inclined to believe that by our individual actions we have to a certain extent brought this condemnation upon ourselves.

"We pride ourselves upon the fact that Freemasonry is not a religious institution, and consequently will not countenance any religious controversy, that Freemasonry is not a political organization, knows no politics, and will not permit any political discussion to take place.

"We claim that in the ordinary acceptation of the term that Freemasonry is not a secret society. But I would ask you do these facts preclude us from recognising, accepting, and fulfilling our responsibilities as citizens?

"If they do so then I am convinced that Freemasonry has failed in its true objective, and that it has perverted its great affirmations.

"Surely, our affirmation in the belief in a Supreme Being, and His inspired Word, the Volume of the Sacred Law, demands that we, as citizens, should be exemplary in our conduct, should unhesitatingly give our support to all organisations endeavouring to build up and strengthen the moral tone of the community and cause us to speak without hesitancy against evils which would undermine the very foundations of our land, and subvert the good order of society.

"Surely, as we affirm our loyalty to Throne and Empire, it demands a practical demonstration of that loyalty in every sphere of life.

"A loyalty that is manifested in a recognition of our responsibility to our fellow men, in the maintenance of the laws of our land and in lending a helping hand to all who are endeavouring to make this land of ours worthy of its great traditions and ideals. A loyalty that demands that we should denounce all corruption and devices that would subvert the peace and good order of society.

"And as we affirm that we enter Freemasonry with the sole desire to render ourselves serviceable to our fellow creatures, surely we should

recognize the responsibility of making that service and thoughtfulness for others, and that sacrifice of self, Freemasonry's guiding beacon.

"Thus, by a faithful recognition of these responsibilities our individual lives will answer all false conceptions regarding Freemasonry, and will prove indeed to the world the unselfish nature of our fraternity and that when one is indeed a Freemason, he is one to whom the burdened heart may pour forth its sorrows, to whom the distressed may prefer their suit, whose heart is guided by justice, and whose hand is extended in benevolence.

"Brethren, many of our brethren are at present passing through the 'shadows.' Let us endeavour to do our part by unselfish service and sacrifice to bring them once again into God's blessed sunlight of prosperity and happiness."

A distinguished visitor at Grand Lodge, R. W. Bro. Sir Leslie Orme Wilson, P. Dist. Grand Master of Bombay, referred to an interesting incident in his own Masonic experience, as follows:

"When I first became a Mason I asked the then Grand Master of New South Wales, who was also my immediate Chief, Admiral Sir Harry Rawson, what Masonry meant. He replied, 'All I can tell you is that a Mason is a good man'—that is a lesson that I have never forgotten."

The adoption of a uniform ritual for the jurisdiction entered into at that session of Grand Lodge, was refused after a very spirited debate.

The following rule of the Grand Master speaks for itself:

"Again it has been recently evidenced to me that there are some Lodges and individual Brethren who consider that it is within their province to decide what recommendations should be made to the Grand Master in connection with certain Grand Lodge appointments.

"Whilst the Grand Master will always be pleased to listen to any representations, and occasionally seeks information, it becomes necessary for me to indicate that no Lodge or Brother has the right to interfere with any appointment that is in the prerogative of the Grand Master."

An application by letter was presented to Grand Lodge for a contribution to a Crippled Children's Fund, which was not a Masonic charity and on this ground was objected to by some of the prominent members of Grand Lodge. The Grand Master expressed his personal surprise at this objection being raised and personally moved that the same be donated, which was carried.

Probably the most unique happening that this reviewer has noticed in the reviews that he has dealt with is the following: At this session of Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary presented the following letter addressed to the Worshipful Master of one of the subordinate lodges:

"To the W. M.

"Sir,

"I have given most serious and deep consideration to the step I am now taking and with a full consciousness of the solemnity of the obligations incumbent upon me it is my earnest desire that you will appreciate my difficulty in continuing any longer in my present state of mind and to accept my decision as a decision honourably arrived at and honourably communicated to you.

"With deep determination to rise or fall by the decision of yourself and fellow officers, I wish to state that I am in possession of Grips, Signs, Steps, Pass Words Knocks of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Mason, and have sat in open Lodge in the Commonwealth yet I have not gone through Initiation Ceremony, nor have I been passed to Fellowcraft or Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. All the knowledge I possess was given to me overseas.

"Am I under any obligation to keep those secrets, other than my own honour? Am I to be left in a state of chaos of mind, or am I to be properly admitted on the Volume of Sacred Law and Square and Compasses?.

"This communication will no doubt cause you some deep thought as it has given me. I am prepared to undergo a strict examination by any of your officers to-night, and for that purpose I will be on the corner opposite the church from 7:40 to 7:50 p.m. If, however, your communication is not opened until 8 p.m., from 8:10 to 8:20 p.m.

"I cannot see any good will arise from my telling you who the person was who gave me the above mentioned signs, etc., but will say that he was well advanced from West to East, but has passed away.

"Your faithfully,"

In this connection, the Grand Master explained that the letter was not a myth, because the person who sent it called and interviewed the Grand Secretary that very morning. He refused the suggestion made in the letter and ordered that every lodge throughout the jurisdiction be particularly instructed that no unknown visitor be admitted into lodge unless he could produce his Grand Lodge certificate, and notice of this was sent to all the other jurisdictions in Australia.

We note that the Capital Fund of Benevolence reached the £40,000 mark mentioned on the book of constitution and provision was made for the allocation of the surplus.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. W. H. Green.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. L. P. Marks.

E.T.B.

RHODE ISLAND

The One Hundred and Forty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was opened in Ample Form in Freemasons' Hall, Providence, on Monday, May 15th, A.D. 1933, M. W. Bro. Arthur Whitehead, Grand Master, presided.

The Grand Master's address is a bare recital of his official acts during his year of office and is very largely statistical. The Grand Master describes it as a "brief glossary of the activities of the past year." Numerous dispensations to attend Divine Service in lodge formation were granted. Among the amendments to By-Laws approved we note instances of reduction in initiation fee and affiliation fee.

The Grand Master made one official visit to every lodge in his jurisdiction. Among the other special visitations made by him were visits to the Annual Sessions of the Grand Lodges of Vermont, Massa-

chusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey and New York. He also attended the conference of Grand Masters at Washington, D.C., in February, 1933.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters of the seven districts were also largely statistical and reporting the activities of the District Deputy Grand Masters in the way of attendance at meetings of lodges in the District, Lodges of Instruction and special occasions.

The report of the Grand Lecturer discloses that there was very little work in the way of conferring degrees during the year. He made 39 visits to various lodges, was favorably impressed by their condition and by the interest displayed by the members in Masonic matters on those occasions.

The annual report of the Grand Secretary discloses 204 members were raised to the Master Mason degree and altogether an increase of 223. This increase was exceeded by the loss through deaths which were 282 and likewise greatly exceeded by the number of those who were dropped from the rolls, 348, a net decrease of 468.

The report of the Masonic Service Board shows that 47 cases were assisted at an average expense of approximately \$356.00 per case per annum. There were also some 19 recipients of relief from the income of the Masonic Home Fund. This was granted to those who would have been considered eligible for admission to the Masonic Home had it been in operation.

This Grand Lodge does not publish a review of the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

Two special communications of Grand Lodge were held on November 4th and November 6th at Pawtucket as part of the Bi-Centennial of the birth of George Washington and the One Hundred and Eightieth Anniversary of his receiving the E. A. degree in 1752.

The semi-annual communication was held on November 21st, 1932 the Grand Master presiding. In the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence submitted at this meeting appears a very excellent statement of the principles underlying Masonic charities. We quote from the report as follows:

"There is, we believe, a rather general misunderstanding as to the responsibility for Masonic relief. There appears to be an impression prevailing that there is a rather definite obligation on the part of Grand Lodge and on the part of subordinate Lodges to assume full responsibility in all cases where members of the fraternity or their families are in need and the funds which have been accumulated with considerable effort by the subordinate Lodges and the Grand Lodge are looked upon as insurance and pension funds upon which claimants have a right to make requisition because of their present or past membership, or because of the membership of a relative.

"In order to reach a proper understanding of the matter of Masonic relief it must first of all be borne in mind that the only responsibility resting upon the fraternity is a personal one,—the personal responsibility of every member of the fraternity to contribute to the relief of a distressed brother so far as he can do so without affecting his own welfare or that of those who are dependent upon him. That obligation is, of course, a positive one in so

far as it concerns those who are associated with him in his particular Lodge. Many Lodges have anticipated this demand upon their individual members and have with foresight accumulated over a period of years substantial relief funds. In many cases however, the Lodges have made no provision for such demands and in some cases have felt that even annual dues were unnecessary. It is not strange therefore that in a period such as we are now experiencing, these Lodges find it most difficult to meet the demands that are made upon them for relief."

At this communication also, the Grand Lodge Educational assessment was voted to be discontinued for the year 1933.

This Grand Lodge for many years has administered through Trustees a Grand Lodge Educational Fund, the expenditure being between \$20,000.00 and \$25,000.00 per annum. It would appear that unless the assessment for this purpose is to be resumed at an early date the policy of granting scholarships and loans to students at College will have to be abandoned.

Total membership, 18,445. Net decrease, 468.

M. W. Bro. Augustus F. Rose, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Harold L. McAuslan, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

SASKATCHEWAN

The Twenty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was held at Moose Jaw on 21st June, 1933. M. W. Bro. F. B. Reilly presiding.

Alberta was not represented.

An address of welcome was tendered by His Worship The Mayor, Bro. J. W. Hawthorne, on behalf of the City of Moose Jaw and one by W. Bro. W. R. Shanklin on behalf of the four Moose Jaw lodges.

The Grand Master's address was brief and to the point. He attended all District Meetings and visited twenty lodges. He was able to accept an invitation to attend the Grand Lodge of Montana.

He notices the tendency manifest in other jurisdictions towards the lowering of fees and dues and in some cases has withheld his consent. We respectfully agree. Dues should be regarded as income and fees as capital, and dues, in particular, should not be reduced below the operating point.

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s are particularly readable. None of them deal in detail with the lodges in their districts. Especially interesting is that of R. W. Bro. Underhill of District No. 14. He says:

"One of my chief objects in my duties as D.D.G.M. was to ascertain what interest there was in and what influence there was from the moral and spiritual teachings of Masonry."

He pursued these objects by means of personal interviews with members as well as by lodge visitations. This officer did not restrict his activities to the due performance of his constitutional duties.

The Grand Secretary reports a loss in membership of 530.

Under Grievances and Appeals we notice the committee refused to sustain the sentence imposed by the lodge on the ground "That the proceedings taken were grossly irregular." It appeared however that the facts of the case warranted a charge being laid and the case was referred back to the lodge for further action. It is gratifying to note the insistence upon regularity of proceedings in Masonic Trials and that members cannot be deprived of their rights except in a constitutional manner.

Applications for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro and Bahia in Brazil were not granted. Similar applications from the Grand Lodge of Argentina and the Grand Lodge of Columbia at Cartagena were allowed to stand pending the receipt of further information. In such matters the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan wisely prefers to arrive at its own conclusions rather than to be influenced by what is being done by other Grand Jurisdictions.

During this communication time was set aside for the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3. In September, 1883, a dispensation was granted by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to a number of brethren at Moose Jaw to institute a lodge. The lodge was duly instituted and was No. 26, G.R.M., becoming No. 3, G.R.S., on the formation of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. An historical sketch of the lodge was given by W. Bro. Laird.

The Board of Benevolence reports the expenditure of \$11,718.47, seventy-eight cases receiving assistance.

The appendix contains a memo of approved rulings from 1907 to 1932. If Masters of lodges would study these rulings there would be fewer references to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

The appendix also contains the programme of the Masonic Education and Research Committee from November, 1932, to October, 1933. The title of the subject for each month is given, followed by a brief of the subject itself. Pertinent subjects are effectively treated. The committee is to be congratulated on its excellent work.

Alberta receives generous and kindly mention in M. W. Bro. Martin's Foreign Correspondence.

G.M.B.

SCOTLAND

The Annual Communication was held in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh on the 30th of November, 1933.

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Belhaven and Stenton, M. W. Grand Master, on the Throne spoke of his visit to the Grand Lodge of Sweden where he, with his Deputation of other Grand Lodge Officers, were received by H. M. King Gustaf V., who with Admiral Arvid Lindman, G.C.V.O., who is Grand Chancellor of Swedish Freemasonry, regulated the proceedings from first to last.

Freemasonry in Sweden works 12 Degrees of St. John's and St. Andrew's or the Ancient Scottish Rite. They had the privilege of wit-

nessing the working of the 8th Degree by the King himself, who, after the ceremony, presented the Grand Master Mason with a beautiful loving cup and decorated him with the Order of Charles XIII. Returning the compliment Lord Belhaven nominated King Gustaf an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He mentioned that Honorary Members were first created in 1851 when King Oscar I. was elected as the first Honorary Member. Since that time four Honorary Members have been elected, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Lord Amptill, Pro G. M. of England, and the Grand Master of Ireland. The Grand Master Mason then proposed the nomination of the Grand Master of Massachusetts as an Honorary Member in commemoration of the Bi-Centenary of the institution of Freemasonry on the soil of America. Both of these nominations were unanimously accepted by Grand Lodge, and the distinguished brethren declared elected Honorary Members.

The Grand Master Mason elect, the Rt. Hon. The Lord Saltoun, M.C., J.P., was then installed being invested with the Regalia his own father had worn when in the same office nearly 40 years ago.

It is notable that the speeches at their St. Andrews Festival which followed, all emphasized the Benevolent side of Masonry. They spoke of the value of the invested funds and hoped they would continue to expand quoting as an example the magnificent work done by the Grand Lodges of Sweden, of England and especially of Ireland, where they labor under difficulties and meet them with a steadfast good temper and resolution that all might well emulate. The Grand Master Mason warned the brethren to carefully consider any questions brought up in Grand Lodge because on the decisions of that ruling body depends the future of Grand Lodge. A chance vote on any matter might profoundly alter the whole position of Scottish Freemasonry in the future, as he said "That is a very sobering reflection." Another speaker mentioning the "Work" done by Prov. and Dist. G. M.'s drew attention to the sacrifice of time and money made by these brothers, saying "it was true of Freemasonry unlike the outside world that the harder we work and the higher the office we take instead of receiving more we are expected to give more." An observation that should remind us of the responsibilities belonging to office.

This Grand Lodge has established a system of Annuities in the exercise of its Benevolence. There is an imposing list of these representing assistance given to the widow and the orphan and the distressed brother, and in looking over the list it will be noted that our Scottish brethren do not weary in well doing. Annuities range from \$50.00 to \$200.00. Grants made to Lodges amounted to \$24,850.00. In both cases these Annuities and Grants were made to individuals and Lodges not only at home in Scotland; but also in the most distant parts of the world wherever their lodges were established.

Reports by Prov. and Dist. G. M.'s show careful inspection of lodges, and those from distant parts of the world are of special interest. For instance, mention is made of a Masonic party on inspection travelling by Kaffir mail train in their dress clothes after a meeting and reaching their destination at 4 a.m. This was in South Africa and this party travelled 2,413 miles during their tour. Another speaks of the Hong Kong dollar being higher. That is China. The Report from Newfoundland mentions with gratification the privilege of meeting the Grand Secretary, Bro. Winning, in 1931, who was visiting there at the time. In Barbados they report a falling off in the number initiated and the

lodges find a difficulty in making both ends meet. These are mentioned to remind us of the world wide influence of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and again that the same problems face Masons in every part of the world.

J.H.W.S.K.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Proceedings for the year ending April, 1933

For the second time since 1904 there was no increase in membership during the preceding year.

A very eloquent lecture was given by V. W. Bro. W. H. Irwin, M.A.

Probably as a result of the occurrences in the Queensland jurisdiction, the Board of General Purposes recommended:

"Masters to make themselves fully conversant with these precautionary measures, and to see that the strictest supervision is exercised to make sure that a visitor produces, besides his Grand Lodge Certificate, evidence that he is in good standing; that is, some acknowledgment that he is a subscribing member, or holds a clearance certificate of fairly recent date."

In reference to this same matter, the Pro Grand Master said in part:

"The convincing proof of a stranger's eligibility to enter a Freemasons' Lodge is the production of evidence of good standing; that is to say, that the visitor produces a voucher that he is a subscribing member of a regular Lodge, or that he holds a clearance certificate of recent date. Nevertheless, there is still the necessity of comparing his signature in the Attendance Book with the signature of the Grand Lodge Certificate."

Dealing with the matter of Sunday meetings, he says as follows:

"Another matter upon which I have been asked to express an opinion is in relation to the practice of calling Rehearsals, as occasionally happens, upon Sundays. We fully understand the difficulty of procuring the attendance of the Brethren, more particularly in sparsely settled areas, but I think that the practice should be avoided, except in the case of necessity, and if it is really necessary to hold any meeting on a Sunday, I think that it is clearly undesirable to hold it whilst Divine Service is being held in the same locality. There are two reasons. First and paramount reason is that it is contrary to the principles and tenets of our Order to summon any brother away from the duties of religion, and the secondary reason is that we should studiously avoid the mere appearance of doing anything of the kind."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is included in the Proceedings. The Alberta report receives a flattering notice.

Number of Lodges, 153. Membership, June 30, 1931, 15,008.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. His Excellency Brig.-Gen. Hon. Sir Alexander Gore Arkwright Hore-Ruthven, V.C., K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. C. R. J. Glover, Adelaide.

E.T.B.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Fifty-ninth Annual Communication, Aberdeen, June 13th and 14th, 1933.

Grand Lodge was opened by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Therlo E. Burrington, in the Masonic Temple in Aberdeen.

Alberta's Grand Representative was not reported as being present.

The corner stone of one Temple was laid, and two Temples dedicated during the year.

The matter of lodge attendance and lodge dues is pressing in South Dakota. The number of 956 members had been suspended, and the membership showed a net loss of 969. The Grand Master discussed at considerable length these problems, but did not suggest any remedy other than comes to the front in every Grand Jurisdiction. The utmost leniency was recommended in worthy cases, and yet he would not change the law that requires suspension unless the dues are paid by a certain date. Though this By-law might seem drastic on casual examination, yet upon careful study and with the recollection of the difficulty of collecting dues in many cases where there was no question as to the financial ability of the members to pay, it was perfectly evident that the law was as lenient as could safely be enacted. This sifting of the deserving and the undeserving is always difficult in operation and unsatisfactory in results, but there is no magic to solve the difficulty. The Grand Master stressed the fact that there was a business side to Masonry which must not be overlooked. Every lodge, as well as the Grand Lodge, had its financial obligations which must be met, and if they were to meet these obligations less effective legislation would involve and imperil their whole financial structure. He suggested that committees be appointed to urge members under suspension to apply for reinstatement and to investigate every case, and where the circumstances warranted have the fees remitted by the lodge. He concluded this part of his address by stating that it was the unanimous opinion of American Freemasonry that greater attention must be given to the problems of Masonic Education. It is assumed that if members were taught the worth of Masonry they would make greater sacrifices to maintain their good standing in their several lodges. As the best means towards this education the Grand Master strongly recommended that South Dakota rejoin the Masonic Service Association, and Grand Lodge unanimously approved his recommendation.

As indicating the condition of business in South Dakota we notice among the disbursements made from the Permanent Grand Charity Fund several for taxes, foreclosure costs, seed wheat, insurance premiums, thresh bills, etc. These items have a familiar sound to us in Alberta.

One lodge U. D. was granted its charter.

Two matters occupied the attention of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

There is no Review of Foreign Correspondence. Is this a step looking towards economy?

M. W. Bro. Sanford G. Donaldson, Yankton, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

TASMANIA

Proceedings—August to September 1933.

Among other matters the Board of General Purposes made the following ruling:

"Clearances.—A Lodge sought a ruling in the case of a Brother who had resigned, and his dues remitted, whether the Lodge could withhold his Clearance until the dues were paid. The Board ruled that if a Lodge accepts a Brother's resignation, and remits the dues owing, the Brother is entitled to his Clearance on application."

The Board of Benevolence report shows that considerable assistance had been given to distressed brethren and the widows of deceased brethren during the last half-year. The report also notes the United Grand Lodge of England sent forward a special grant of about \$200.00 for the relief of a widow and family of a late brother of the English Constitution, who had died in Tasmania and left his family in distressed circumstances.

A motion was passed reducing the contributions of the subordinate lodges in cases where they were having difficulties in collecting their own dues.

The Grand Master's Report shows a total membership of 3,772, a decrease of 72 members for the half-year.

We quote two paragraphs from the Grand Master's address, which should be of interest to those keeping our own lodge histories:

"In perusing the records of the Lodge for the purpose of compiling a "History of Freemasonry in Tasmania," one is struck by the pertinent fact that the well-being of a Lodge has depended upon a faithful one or two. We would have liked a closer vision of them—even were it but a picture.

"In the years to come, someone looking into the records of our days might haply have pleasure in turning over the leaves of a lodge album, and noting the kind of brethren that are passing on the Charters from year to year."

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Lawrie J. Abra.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. W. H. Strutt.

E.T.B.

TENNESSEE

The M.W. the Grand Lodge of Tennessee held its One Hundred and Nineteenth Annual Communication in Nashville, on January 25th, 1933, with M. W. Bro. William P. Chandler, Grand Master, presiding. The opening date corresponding with the birthday of the Grand Master he received the felicitations of his brethren.

In the list of Grand Representatives we note the absence of the member for Alberta although in the list of appointments the name of Bro. L. C. Ogle, Etowah, is mentioned.

R. W. Bro. S. A. Moore, Deputy Grand Master of Alabama was a distinguished visitor at this Communication.

Grand Master Chandler in his address gives a resume of his work from which we note that he paid sixty visits to lodges; his junior officers also participating to the extent that the Deputy paid 128; the Grand Senior Warden 132, and the Grand Junior Warden 61, making in all 381 visits. Appropriations to cover the expense of these visitations is made by the Ways and Means Committee.

Special attention was directed by the Grand Master to the matter of the collection of Dues and the avoidance of suspensions with apparently good results.

Two new lodges were constituted by the Grand Master, and Corner Stones laid for two Public Buildings.

The Grand Master makes the following recommendations:

"I recommend that where Lodge memberships are so small that their per capita tax does not meet the expense of their representatives to Grand Lodge, that they be required to consolidate with another Lodge or Lodges or give up their Charters."

"I recommend that the Charter of a Lodge shall immediately become suspended when the number of Lodge members falls below fifteen."

Neither of these recommendations received the approval of the Committee on Jurisprudence and consequently were not concurred in.

The report of the Committee on Education forms rather interesting reading, for this Committee is not only interested in Masonic Education but also in the general educational policy of the State.

The Proceedings contain memorial notices for two distinguished Past Grand Masters who had been called from their labors during the past year.

Incorporated in these Proceedings is the Constitution and Edicts of this Grand Lodge. In reading these over we come across many items which are at variance with our own Constitution and the generally accepted jurisprudence in the Masonic World, thus clearly demonstrating the autonomy of each Grand Lodge.

The correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. J. T. Peeler who in his foreword deals with the slogan "Back to the Country with Masonry" seeing too great a tendency for Masonry to concentrate in the City Lodges. Alberta is given a sympathetic and comprehensive review for 1932.

M. W. Bro. J. B. Templeton, Winchester, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. T. E. Doss, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

TEXAS

The Ninety-eighth Annual Communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Texas was held in Waco on December 6th and 7th, 1933, with M. W. Bro. Wallace Hughston, Grand Master, presiding.

Several distinguished brethren from Louisiana and a representative from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and also from Pennsylvania were received and accorded honors.

A welcome was extended to the Grand Representatives which was replied to by R. W. Bro. Sam. P. Cochran, P.G.M., who at this time presented his report on his visit as the Representative of Texas to the Peace Memorial Celebration in London. This is a very comprehensive report and should be read to fully appreciate the historic character of this celebration. It is noted that Alberta was not represented when the roll of Grand Representatives was called.

The address of the Grand Master is an account of his stewardship during his term of office and has the following recommendations to make:

That the \$10.00 paid by Initiates to the Home and School Fund be acknowledged by that Board so as to impress the new Mason that he has a real interest in the work of this Board.

That in-so-far as Grand Lodge Dues are concerned Life Memberships be discontinued. This recommendation was not acceptable to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address.

That a special committee of nine be appointed to assist in obtaining positions for the graduates from the Masonic Home and School.

That the present system of installing Grand Lodge Officers be changed so as to permit of a special ceremony taking place not less than twenty days or more than thirty days after his election at a place to be chosen by himself. This innovation was also turned down by the Committee.

One lodge which had the temerity to send a circular letter to other lodges of the jurisdiction advocating a serious reduction in Grand Lodge dues was severely reprimanded for usurping the rights of Grand Lodge.

Possibly the most interesting report submitted to this Grand Lodge was that of the Grand Librarian which shows that here is one department that is alive to the needs of the brethren at the present time. 1,127 books were lent to 117 lodges in 105 places. These are mostly in the nature of "Travelling Libraries" but from the report it is apparent these books were widely read and appreciated. Considerable time is spent in making material available for the readers, books are annotated, lists are prepared and the lodges circularized so that they may know of the books specially recommended and an effort is made to contact the membership with the library. Contact is also maintained with other Grand Lodges with library facilities so as to be in a position to render every possible service in this connection.

Has Masonry a programme? Is Masonry as good today as it was yesterday? These are some of the questions R. W. Bro. Gabe P. Allen, Grand Orator, discussed with his brethren. The address is a very excellent one and worthy of consideration and should be read in every lodge.

Are you interested in a composite photograph, then read the address of R. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Acting Deputy Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and learn how the photographs of 152 Masons of one lodge were used to make a picture entitled "The Unknown Mason."

William D. Haas, Jr., Grand Master of the M. W. the Grand Lodge

of Louisiana, delivered a virile address and we would like to quote this thought that he left with his audience:

"I instituted in Louisiana this year a program of re-dedication and re-obligation. I didn't call them all together in one big meeting. No, I wanted each individual lodge to do that. I asked the men to come back and re-obligate and re-dedicate themselves to the cause of Freemasonry. I believe we need it. We have had some wonderful results from that. Won't you re-dedicate yourselves to the cause that you sought out voluntarily."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of R. W. Bro. W. M. Fly, P.G.M., and we note that the Proceedings of Alberta did not reach him in time to be included in this report. This we exceedingly regret.

R. W. Bro. Fly in his foreword endeavours to review the situation as he see it in the world of Masonry today and we quote this, "Especially during these days of depression and financial unrest, it is not an infrequent experience of Grand Lodges to encounter a rather growing disposition among the Craft to view and treat Masonry as a kind of insurance concern. In the mind of such a one, his policy is bought and paid for by way of initiation fees and all premiums met in the payment of annual dues. With this view the individual member consistently becomes a claimant demanding as a right the relieving of his every need both real and imaginary."

"When Charity becomes a demand, selfishness becomes enthroned. When individual responsibility becomes transferable, the spirit of helplessness and relief dies. Without either or both, Masonry is no longer itself. When other than itself, Masonry becomes as but another order without chart or compass." These are sentiments that should be deeply impressed on the minds of our members.

In concluding this review might we be pardoned for making a suggestion to the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Texas. In reading over the Proceedings we notice that these are printed in the Masonic Home and School. The volume as sent out contains some 880 pages of lodge statistics which naturally makes quite a large and heavy book and which are of very little interest outside of the jurisdiction. Would it not be possible to prepare a volume for distribution to Correspondent Jurisdictions by eliminating the lodge statistical matter and thus save them extra postage and duty.

M. W. Bro. W. S. Cooke, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. W. B. Pearson, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

UTAH

Sixty-second Annual Communication, Salt Lake City, January 17th and 18th, 1933.

Grand Lodge convened at the Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, January 17th, 1933, and was called to order by the M. W. Grand Master, Howard Pendleton Kirtley, and opened in Ample Form. Twenty-

three of the twenty-six subordinate lodges in the jurisdiction were represented. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. A. E. Eberhardt, answered the Roll Call.

When the Grand Tyler, W. Bro. Charles Shields, stood before the Grand East in the discharge of his duties, the Grand Master reminded the brethren that it was the 87th anniversary of the Grand Tyler's birth, and congratulated him on having reached that particular milestone, and on his long service (some 59 years) in the ranks of the Craft. A large bouquet of beautiful carnations was presented to him amidst the applause of the brethren.

Among the 93 brethren who had died during the year, were three Past Grand Masters, James Henry Brown, William Grant Van Horne and Thomas Edward Clohecy, the last of whom had been Grand Master in 1878.

The year 1932 had been a very trying one—the financial blizzard and the economic dislocation with the attendant distress, uncertainty and genuine want among all the countries of the world had had their effects, very naturally, on all organizations that were erected on a social basis. The net loss to Masonry in the United States had been 62,458. The net loss in Utah was 152. The Grand Master, however, is still confident of the future: "Why should we not be sanguine? The Master's address to the candidate in the Fellow Craft Degree still holds, and the inherent character of our Institution gives it a reputation that will stand assaults as it has ever done. That reputation we can enhance by cultivating. . . . 'circumspection' with all that that connotes—a rather simple formula, towards all matters connected with Masonry; the ceremonies, business conclusions, behaviour of the brethren and the officers, even proposed social concerns and programs, and above all, incidents of disciplinary actions—not mere reticence, but absolute silence. About this matter I feel very earnest indeed, and it is my firm conviction that the constant regard for this consideration of total and complete secrecy would do much to enhance our reputation as an attractive, because mysterious, body, and restore Masonry to the place it used to hold and to which certainly it is entitled by its venerable traditions, the sure position it occupies in the hearts of its brethren, and because of the profound truth in the philosophy it teaches."

"Certainly we must never be so ill advised as to abrogate that old custom—by this time worth nearly the force of a landmark—of forbidding the solicitation of the profane."

Financially some of the lodges are having an anxious time of it, especially since the number of calls on their benevolence is increasing. In two or three instances the month to month care of the "overhead" is a matter of real concern, and the future one of genuine doubt. The Grand Master suggests that relief might come from the merger of lodges. The suggestion is probably sound.

A new and revised edition of the pamphlet "Further Studies in Mormonism and Masonry" has been brought out to meet the growing demand for it.

The Grand Master's recommendation that an explanation of the several Penalties be made to the candidates was not adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Librarian reported a decrease both in the circulation of books and in the number of readers, and ascribes this to inherent "laziness", or at least reluctance to perform work that some other fellow may do for us.

The Historical Section, contributed by the Grand Secretary, is very interesting to any one interested in the attitude taken by Masonry towards Mormonism. There are several Mormon settlements in Alberta.

The Grand Orator, Clifford Rudine, took as his subject the changes in the social structure now going on, with particular reference to Russia. In this instance the Grand Orator justifies his position, as the address was full of very useful and pertinent suggestions, and showed careful preparation.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is again presented by M. W. Bro. Sam H. Goodwin, P.G.M. To any brother wishing to improve and increase his Masonic information we could not recommend a better manual than this Review. Facts and the comments thereon are equally deserving consideration by every student of Masonry. We are pleased to find the Foreign Correspondent in sympathy with our views on Grand Orators in general. We review the Proceedings of only eight Grand Jurisdictions, and were successful in discovering at least one who won our approval. Our brother seems to have found only one good Grand Orator in over fifty reviews. Not a very good average. Alberta is fully noted, and agreement with the sentiments of the Grand Master of this jurisdiction is frequently expressed.

M. W. Bro. Norman Rodney Vote, Salt Lake City, Grand Master:
M. W. Bro. Sam Henry Goodwin, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary:
C.V.B.

VERMONT

The M. W. the Grand Lodge of Vermont held its One Hundred and Fortieth Annual Communication at Burlington on June 14th and 15th, with M. W. Bro. Charles B. Adams, Grand Master, presiding.

Eminent brethren from the Grand Jurisdiction of New Hampshire, Connecticut and New Jersey were present, being accorded the usual honors.

We are pleased to note the attendance of our own representative, M. W. Bro. Chas. H. Darling.

M. W. Bro. Adams commences his address with a re-affirmation of the fundamental principles of Masonry and urges upon his hearers the application of the ideals of our Order to the difficulties facing the world today.

In the matter of visitations the Grand Master concentrated on the individual lodges with much good result and to further this work recommends an appropriation for this purpose.

Representatives of Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Vermont apparently have not taken the honor seriously, so much as that the Grand Master revised the list and recommended new appointments. This is as it should be.

Under the heading of "Decisions" we come across the oft recurring one of lotteries as a means of raising money, and the Grand Master's decision that it is un-Masonic, is in tune with the many rulings all over the country.

In speaking of the Condition of Masonry in his jurisdiction, the Grand Master draws attention to the reduction in membership and urges upon the lodges to exert the kind hand of charity in the matter of suspension N.P.D. Personal contact with the delinquent brother is urged and he recommended the appointment of a special committee in each lodge to assist in the matter of the collection of dues.

Recognition of brethren who have passed the half century mark is one of the recommendations of Grand Master Adams, but the Committee on the Grand Master's Address apparently do not agree that fifty years in Masonry call for any special mention. We fear the committee's attitude is actuated more by the possible abuse than any other cause.

The Grand Lodge paid out \$16,626.85 in Charity during the year. The system adopted in this jurisdiction appears to be to reimburse the lodges for all monies paid out over fifty cents per member.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman. In his review of Alberta he quotes copiously from the address of M. W. Bro. Kerby, gives a very sympathetic and fraternal review, which we appreciate.

M. W. Bro. Chas. B. Adams, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

VICTORIA

Proceedings for the year 1932

The Reports of the Board of General Purposes include a surprising number of suspensions of members for conviction on criminal offences.

The Board received a request for the recommendation of the establishment of the Order of De Molay. The Board decided that as the Order was not a Masonic Order no recognition should be given to the Order by lodges of the jurisdiction.

Four Hundred and thirty dispensations for various purposes were granted during the year. We do not question their propriety, but it seems to be quite a lot.

For the first time in twenty-eight years, a decrease in the membership is shown, and that a very small decrease, equal to a fraction of a little over one-half of 1 per cent.

The various funds of the Order are quite satisfactory.

The Grand Master made a very moving appeal to the members to take their part in the present critical condition of social affairs.

The Board of Benevolence Reports show that very satisfactory work is being done.

An applicant for degrees, who stated in his application, contrary to the fact, that he had not previously been refused by any lodge, was expelled from Masonry on motion of Grand Lodge. The mistake in the application was not discovered until after the candidate had received his first degree.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence follows the Alberta plan, being dealt with by different members. The Proceedings of Alberta receive ample recognition.

Number of Lodges, 481. Members, 51,004:

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. W. Warren Kerr, C.M.G., C.B.E.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. Wm. Stewart, P.S.G.W.

E.T.B.

VICTORIA

Proceedings for the year 1933

We quote the following portion of the Grand Master's address during the March communication:

"May I express the hope that every Brother will read, and study with more than ordinary care, the Reports for the past year of the Board of Benevolence and the Committee of the Freemasons' Homes. The written records of practical help given to the needy, of the brotherly care of the aged and helpless, of timely assistance to the sick and sorrowing constitute a moving and pathetic story, but the unwritten story which lies behind the official records—unrevealed save to those of understanding mind, quickened conscience, and sympathetic heart—is a still more impelling one.

And upon those who constitute the great body of responsible citizens who, of necessity, must bear a large share of the heat and burden of the day there also rest great obligations, not the least of which is maintenance—under all circumstances—of calmness of mind and deliberateness of judgment, which frequently prove effective checks upon too precipitate action.

"Brethren, as our knowledge of the basic principles of Freemasonry grows, and, as our conviction of the moral potency of its teaching deepens by knowledge and experience, the more intense becomes our desire that the area of its influence may be appreciably extended. To the degree in which we individually have left the appeal and responded to the subtle influences of the spirit of Freemasonry, and have experienced in our own lives the mellowing efforts of its salutary restraints, its inspiring comradeship, its moral uplift, and its stimulating ideals, to that degree are we moved by the earnest—though not often articulate—hope and desire that those outside our ranks may, in unconscious unity of thought, conviction and purpose, join forces with us, in obedience to the compulsion of our ideals.

"Thus do we envisage the dawning of that day when all units of the great human family, profoundly stirred by the splendour of a new vision of the true destiny of the race, and inspired by a clearer perception of the purpose of the Eternal and Supreme Ruler of the Universe, will, in orderly and triumphal unison, enter upon a new era in which the

cardinal principles of brotherly love, relief and truth will establish ascendancy over the forces of ignorance, strife, selfishness and fear."

The Board of General Purposes made the following interesting recommendation regarding funeral services:

"That the Masonic Funeral Service should be conducted by those who have made it a special study, and that a list of Brethren throughout the Territory, including Past Grand Chaplains, Chaplains, and Past Chaplains of subordinate Lodges, should be compiled. When the list has been approved by the Board, each of the Brethren concerned will be required to make himself fully conversant with the Service and to officiate at Masonic Funerals when so requested."

The Board of General Purposes made a ruling that no appeals are to be read for outside charitable funds.

The usual review on Foreign Correspondence is included. The Alberta Proceedings are dealt with at considerable length.

Total number of Lodges, 486. Members, 50,611.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. W. Warren Kerr, C.M.G., C.B.E.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. Wm. Stewart, P.S.G.W.

E.T.B.

VIRGINIA

An Emergent Communication was held in May, 1932, at Shooter's Hill, Alexander, for the purpose of dedicating the George Washington Memorial Building. Grand Master Harry K. Green presided over possibly the most distinguished Masonic assembly ever congregated together on this continent. A galaxy of Masons were present whose names read like a Masonic Hall of Fame. President Hoover participated. The only flaw in the whole procedure was caused by the weather man pouring out a torrential rain just after the parade of Masons started for the structure. The dedication, which had been planned to take place outside, was hurriedly arranged for indoors where unfortunately accommodation was limited.

An outstanding dedication address was delivered by the eloquent Melvin M. Johnston, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts and Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Jurisdiction of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. He opened thus:

"'And God said let there be light and there was light!' One of the most exalted desires of man is for light—physical light to guide the body, intellectual light to guide the mind, spiritual light to guide the soul.

"A famous symbol of light was erected more than two thousand years ago in Egypt—the Pharos of Alexandria, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, a magnificent stepped up ziggurat tower bearing constant blaze upon its summit to guide mariners on a safe course to a secure haven. That celebrated lighthouse furnished the inspiration for the design of the Pharos of an Alexandria in the new world which towers before you.

"This Pharos, sufficiently completed to become utilitarian, is today consecrated to the memory of Washington. It has an even greater

value. It is a shrine, a Mecca, for the Freemasons of the world. It is a symbol to all humanity of the ideals and purposes of Freemasonry. Millions of feet will tread its halls. Myriads of eyes will gaze upon its majestic beauty. Through daylight hours it will carry its message to vast multitudes. As the beacon light upon its summit will send out its rays to all the compass in the hours of the night, so does Freemasonry diffuse light, that it may penetrate more and more, further and further, into the tenebrous recesses of human life. In the midst of iconoclasm and change, which wisely controlled, are essential to progress, but which unrestrained are certain to bring destruction and chaos, this monument will for ages to come typify those landmarks of religion, of mortality, of character, and of fraternity which must persist if civilization is not again to be plunged into the abyss of dark ages. Before you stands a tangible symbol of intangible ideals. It may crumble with the lapse of time and the ruthless hand of ignorance, but the ideal which it proclaims must endure until time shall be no more."

The One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Annual was held in February, 1933. Visitors were present from North Carolina and Michigan. Alberta was represented by her accredited ambassador.

Virginia has not a Home, but they disburse their benevolence much the same as we do from the interest accruing from a capital fund. The Grand Master states that the manner in which the needy are being looked after in familiar surroundings and among old friends is sufficient evidence that Home is not needed. Statistics regarding Old Folk's Insurance given out by the United States Government prove that four persons can be taken care of in their homes for the same amount necessary to care for one in an institution.

A situation which parallels in part one that arose here was dealt with as follows: A candidate received the Entered Apprentice degree in a lodge other than where he was legally resident. The ruling given was that the fee and petition must be turned over to the District Deputy of the proper district and that the candidate should apply to one of the two lodges having concurrent jurisdiction for advancement. His refusal to follow instructions was interpreted as leaving him in the position of an E.A. who had failed to qualify in proficiency and the fee was divided between the two lodges.

Some attention was given the matter of lodge taxation to increase Grand Lodge revenue and the per capita was raised from \$1.75 to \$2.50, a fee of \$25.00 to be paid for each initiate and \$25.00 for each affiliate from outside Virginia.

In the review of Proceedings is found a courteous summary of our 1932 communication.

Lodges, 350. Membership, 45,850. Loss, 3,250.

M. W. Grand Master—James G. Padgett.

R. W. Grand Secretary—James M. Clift.

V.H.M.

WASHINGTON—1932

Seventy-fifth Annual Communication held at Tacoma, June 21st, M. W. Bro. Thomas M. Askren, Grand Master.

Number of Lodges, 267; membership, 48,159; loss, 835.

Alberta was represented by Bro. Frank N. McCandless, Grand Representative.

The Grand Master's address is filled with the tally of things well done and we comment only on items which seem of general interest.

He disapproves of a proposed By-Law which gave the Worshipful Master and Secretary the power to pay monthly bills from June 10th to September without action by the lodge upon the bills. This we presume is for use during the customary summer recess. Within limits the practice has been found satisfactory here, the limits being that only routine accounts are paid in this way. It might save a little heart-burning on the part of a landlord waiting for his rent.

The Grand Master rules, and we agree, that when a lodge raises its dues by resolution the effect is not retroactive nor can additional dues be collected from members who have paid up for the current year.

He also rules, and again we agree, that a member cannot be suspended for failure to pay assessment other than dues.

In reporting his presence at the dedication of the famous George Washington Masonic Memorial he says: "Although some \$3,500,000 has been spent upon the memorial, it is not yet finished. It will take much more money and time to complete it. It must and will be completed."

When we had the honor of being Grand Master in Alberta we recommended the creation of a Committee on Lodge Finances. Things financial were better then—or appeared to be—and the Committee on the Grand Master's Address turned their thumbs downward. We still believe we had a good idea and now find Washington using it with success. The Grand Master's comment is identical with our own view: "If it be agreed that such plan interferes with rights of constituent lodges, let it be also remembered that the foolishness of any individual lodge brings reproach upon the body of Masonry *even more than it does upon the lodge.*" (The italics are ours.)

The Grand Master closes with the pious hope, "that perhaps the slackening of degree work in our lodges, the consequent close watch upon all expenditures, and the increasing demands for Masonic charity may produce a better grade of Masonry than comes during prosperous times when all goes well without any effort on our part." We hope with him but wonder.

During the year Washington lost two of her honored Past Grand Masters, Stephen James Chadwick and James Howarth Begg. Sympathetic obituary notices appear in the Proceedings.

The report of the Committee on Lodge Finances is illuminating. A questionnaire was sent to all the lodges. Twenty-eight of them, unfortunately, didn't think it worth their pains to reply. The 220 replies received were tabulated by the committee which finds lodge financial troubles for the most part fall into eight well defined classes:

1. Too high rents.
2. Non-collectible dues.
3. Some dues too low.
4. Complaints that Grand Lodge dues are too high.
5. Scarcity of petitions for the degrees.
6. Interest rates excessive.
7. Lack of business co-operation within the lodge.
8. Small membership.

We don't quite understand the significance of No. 7 but for the rest we feel sure a similar roll call in Alberta would produce the same answers.

Lodges are particularly warned against ambitious temple schemes and the creation of too many life members.

An excellent piece of conscientious enquiry:

We note the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence remarks that he has endeavored to make his reviews "a little more brief this year because of the cost of printing them." That is the reason, Most Worshipful Sir, why we are obliged to make our comment on Washington's Proceedings somewhat more "sparse" than we would like.

The Grand Historian contributes an excellent report on "Masonry in Alaska."

The Grand Lecturer puts his finger on a hopeful tendency: "Attendance at meetings in a number of lodges is rather better than during those hectic days when there were so many things to distract—with, also, the means to gratify the cravings for distraction."

But the "hectic days" will come again and there will be many more things to distract and, we hope, more "means to gratify the cravings." What then, Most Worshipful Sir?

"Why and What" is the title of a thoughtful "Oration" printed in full. It is by Wor. Bro. Rev. Mark A. Matthews, Acting Grand Orator. From it we quote a few significant sentences:

"This depressing cloud of terror has settled over us, and we fear to move in this direction, or hesitate to move in that direction. Ask the experienced business men of the country why the present situation, and what is the remedy. They are conscientious men and they will tell you they do not know.

"Well, if that question were propounded in this room; if we are in darkness of present conditions, were required to answer the question, what would we say? We should, as a body of Masons, be able to *dispel* fear; we should be able to give *some* kind of an answer and point to the road leading out of the maze, the mist, and the fog. *That is our business.*"

Again under the sub-heading "Take Time" these paragraphs:

"This Grand Lodge should have authority to suspend its rules and say to the lodges of this State, 'Take time to make Masons; take time to find the right material; take time to see whether the material can be polished! You can not polish a brick-bat. You can polish *only* granite. The examining committees are to blame for the riff-raff who knock at the door of Masonry.

"I am trying to find a reason for our existence. Why do we exist? We are supposed to exist and do exist, not to glory in the past, not to hold the name of Solomon above everything, not even the name of the one who lost his life in the hour of meditation, in the hour of prayer, in the hour when he was trying to discover the light on the hill-top far away, but to discover how much light we are giving out and how much real candle power we possess when we undertake to light the lamp of truth at the altar to which we have led the novice to receive instruction. What is our purpose? Our purpose to to polish!"

And finally this:

"Let us live closer together. We have shown that we can *be true*

to one another. Let us live closer together . . . and take fear and disheartening conditions out of the lives of people."

A new lodge, Wayfarer No. 280 at Seattle is chartered.

In his introduction to the Report on Foreign Correspondence the Chairman makes pertinent comment on education in general and Masonic Education in particular from which we cull the following:

"Masonic Education cannot be pumped into the man who does really want it, or whose capacity is so limited he cannot use it. The desire for knowledge for the sake of knowledge is the stimulus that makes the educated man in the end. Self-education is the only kind that is truly worth the effort. A mere cataloguing of the results of Masonic Research can never make a real Mason. The preparation for Masonry must be in the heart before it can result in the right kind of Masons."

Altogether, this is one of the most stimulating "Proceedings" it has been our pleasure to read in a long time.

A. M. M.

WASHINGTON—1933

Seventy-sixth Annual Communication held at Seattle, June 20th, 1933. John M. Roberts, Grand Master.

Lodges, 266; members, 46,404; loss for the year, 1,755.

The Grand Master's address is fairly brief and consists for the most part of his work during the year.

Under the heading of Rulings and Decisions, and with reference to Masonic trials, he points out that while there is nothing in the Washington Masonic code which requires a lodge to await the outcome of a trial in a civil court before preferring charges in a lodge, it is his opinion that it is advisable, and he strongly recommends that this should be done.

He also rules that it is the prerogative of a Worshipful Master to discharge an investigating committee that fails to function within a reasonable time and to appoint a new committee.

Another ruling deals with a point we have heard discussed under our plan of dual membership. He rules that when a request for a dimit from a lodge is received within a reasonable time by the lodge issuing a certificate of good standing to a member, that although the request for the dimit was not received until after additional dues were charged against the member for the ensuing year, the dimit should be granted without requiring the member who was issued the certificate of good standing to pay said dues.

In the Grand Secretary's report an item significant of the present depression appears. He says: "Owing to frozen assets and bank failures thirty-two of the lodges were compelled to borrow all or some part of the sums required to pay their Grand Lodge dues."

On the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence, Washington has adopted dual membership along somewhat similar lines to that in vogue in Alberta.

A form of petition appears in full which may be of interest to those enquiring upon the subject in our own jurisdiction.

Washington lost one of the Past Grand Masters during the year in the person of Joseph Marion Taylor and a suitable and sympathetic obituary notice appears in the Proceedings.

In the report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education appears this honest if somewhat depressing note: "A distressing number of lodges report an apathy not only towards Masonic study, but also toward lodge work in general."

The report of the Grand Historian deals with "The Grand Orators and their Philosophy" and for the most part is of prime interest to the Masons of Washington. Summing up, however, the Grand Historian says in part: "The complete truth is forever hidden from human vision and perfection is forever out of reach. Such is the necessary condition of our existence; thus the prime essential to our progress; the only rule that an all-wise father could establish to insure our perpetual happiness and growth."

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals is proud to report that no matters of contention have come before them. In their report they express the sentiments in which we heartily agree: "We hope that notwithstanding the apparent tendency to more prosperous times, the absence of matters for the consideration of the committee at this annual communication may characterize many annual communications to follow. We can all help to make it so by a conscientious observance of that relationship to our fellow men which is the natural result of living in accordance with the Masonic ideals."

The oration of the year is by Worshipful Brother Ulysses E. Harmon and has for title "The Stabilizing Influence of Masonry." It is along orthodox lines.

A word of warning is sounded by the Committee on Lodge Finance when they point out that a number of their lodges are in grave danger because of excessive and unbearable indebtedness incurred in temple building. They point out again, too, that every lodge in the jurisdiction is discredited by the default of a sister lodge and urge that every assistance be given weaker lodges to discharge their indebtedness.

The Committee on Jurisprudence report and recommend against the adoption of the system of District Deputy Grand Masters. Grand Lodge, however, rejected their recommendation and now a committee has been appointed to bring in legislation which will presumably bring a system similar to our own into being.

In his preamble to the report on Foreign Correspondence, the Chairman of the committee says, among other things: "To be a real Mason, and not a mere member, means much more than to attend lodge and conform strictly to the words of any ritual. A mere intellectual understanding of the truths taught in Masonry is not enough. Unless we consistently try to live up to the high ideals presented to us in Masonry we might as well abandon the lodge and give ourselves over to a useless sort of living. . . . Masonry, when rightly understood, teaches us how to live which is better than to merely exist for ourselves alone."

Alberta finds a generous place in the reviews, our portion being largely taken up with extracts from the address of M. W. Bro. Kerby.

Next annual communication Tacoma, June 19th, 1934.

M. W. Grand Master—J. L. Preissner, Yakima.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma.

A. M. M.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Proceedings ending May, 1933

In his address in August, 1932, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. A. C. McCallum, M.B.E. (M.I.A.) draws attention to the fact that in certain instances Past Masters have gone so far as to tell a candidate to the office of Worshipful Master that he will not be elected unless he agrees to appoint to office the brother nominated by them. He strongly deprecates such action and points out that it is totally opposed to Masonic custom.

R. W. Bro. F. D. Sewell, the Deputy Grand Master, in his address suggests that as the Grand Master travels long distances to meet the officers and members of the lodges that it might be advisable in many cases to call off the festive board proceedings for a period, during which the Grand Master, or his representative, could meet many of the brethren personally and to afford time for such, suggests that if there were less number of speeches and they were rather more concise than is sometimes the case, there would be ample time to give a trial to this suggestion. This reviewer heartily approves.

In the February session of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master draws attention to a matter that is frequently referred to in Grand Masters' addresses, namely, the relative amounts spent on charitable matters and on the festive board, and points out that in one year in that jurisdiction the contributions to the festive board were approximately double what they were to one of their leading charitable funds.

In the May session of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master dealt among other things, with the matter of Masonic work. We quote with approval the following from his address:

"Many brethren, although they look forward to occupying the position of Master of their lodge, do little or nothing to qualify themselves to employ and instruct the brethren. If they can memorize the ritual they seem to think they are fully competent to fill the office. As a matter of fact, they know little more than is known by every Master Mason in the lodge, and are perhaps only about 20 per cent efficient in the actual Masonic work which they are called upon to perform.

"While there may be at present little ceremonial work, this is the opportunity for lodges to devote a considerable portion of their time to Masonic instruction. If the Worshipful Master is not competent to instruct the younger brethren who have been brought into the lodge, then there are many Worshipful Brethren, who are able and willing to assist him in teaching brethren that every Freemason should be:

"A friend to the helpless orphan, a friend to the destitute widow, a friend to the fallen brother, an advocate of purity of life and rectitude of conduct. An advocate of temperance, prudence and justice, demanding loyalty to one's Government and piety to one's God—a friend of every virtue."

And they should be engaged in "cultivating brotherly love, the foundation and keystone, the cement and glory of this ancient fraternity. Avoiding all wrangling and quarrelling, all slanders and back-biting, nor permitting others to slander an innocent Brother, but defending his character and doing him all good offices as far as is consistent with your honor and safety. . . . Saying and doing nothing which may hinder brotherly love and good offices to be renewed and continued, that all may see the benign influence of Masonry.

"We are not a commercial institution. We do not exist to make men rich in material things. We teach them love of country, belief in the brotherhood of humanity, faith in God, sympathy for the distressed, friendship, love, and charity."

Upon his retirement, the Grand Master was presented with a suit of Past Grand Master's Regalia. In his very impressive reply, M. W. Bro. McCallum indicated his intention of leaving to Grand Lodge his Masonic Library and the Regalia, which the Grand Lodge then presented to him. This is a custom that has been followed in a number of cases in Canadian jurisdictions.

The Board of General Purposes disallowed a by-law of a lodge which desired to provide for the names of initiates and affiliates being submitted to a Committee of Past Masters before the prospective applicants were to be permitted to fill in a nomination form.

The most interesting portion of this, or of any other Proceedings that this reviewer meets with, is the Review of Foreign Correspondence by J. W. E. Archdeacon, P.S.G.D. It is unfortunate that such capable reviews are not available to more members of the lodges in other jurisdictions. If space were available, this reviewer would consider it time and space very well spent to deal with the various matters embodied in Bro. Archdeacon's reviews.

Number of Lodges as at the 31st December, 1932, 154. Total Membership, 8,840. Net Gain, 25.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Fred A. McMullen.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. A. E. Jensen, P.S.G.W.

E.T.B.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Sixty-ninth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Morgantown on the 11th of October, 1933, opening in the evening. The M. W. Grand Master, Bro. I Wade Coffman, who for many years has been known as a most efficient and skilful Masonic Instructor and lecturer, and who filled the office of Grand Lecturer in this Jurisdiction for more than a decade, presided. Fifteen P.G.M.'s lent dignity and support by their presence. Alberta was represented by R. W. Bro. F. F. Flaig, D.G.M. who at this communication was elected and installed Grand Master for the ensuing year.

Fourteen of the sixteen districts were represented by their D.D. G.M.'s. Forty-four Grand Representatives were received with Grand Honors, and in reply to their welcome M. W. Bro. W. Cowden, P.G.M., said in the course of his remarks that he thought the system of Grand Representatives might be made more of and that they should correspond with the Jurisdiction they represent, instancing the delightful exchanges he himself had with the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

The Grand Master's address covers twenty interesting pages of which several are devoted to "Benevolence", giving a very complete review of the investment the fraternity have in their Masonic Home where some ninety men, women and children are cared for, at a cost of \$300.00 per person per year, the total investment being \$763,753.98.

He makes this review to remind the brethren of the magnitude of their undertaking and the obligation squarely resting upon them individually for the successful administration of the purposes for which the Masonic Home was founded, with practical suggestions for needed reforms. We might quote from his opening remarks on this subject, they apply equally well in this jurisdiction, though we do not maintain a Masonic Home. "Few thoughtless brethren, however, have contented themselves with the strange notion that, having paid their dues to the lodge, a portion of which is devoted to fraternal relief, they have discharged the duty to the distressed Masonic households which were solemnly laid upon their hearts and consciences at the altar of obligation; and a few lodges assume the attitude that, having paid their contributions to Grand Lodge, a portion of which is likewise devoted to fraternal relief, they too have discharged the duties they owe the indigent and unfortunate, whom they would abandon as charges of the Grand Charity Committee or the Masonic Home. It is scarcely necessary to remind such brethren and such lodges that the duty incumbent upon Masons to relieve the distressed, like all other Masonic obligations, is personal duty laid upon the individual Masons and the separate lodge. The Grand Charity Fund and the Masonic Home are necessarily intended to supplement, not supplant, the relief which every Mason owes his brother and every lodge owes its membership to the point of material injury to the Mason or the lodge. The duty is upon the individual Mason the lodge with its common treasury is the reserve for immediate needs.

"Our brethren and our lodges, generally throughout the jurisdiction have not failed in their duty in this respect. The report of the Grand Charity Committee will show that it has co-operated with the lodges in those cases in which the burdens were too great for the Lodge Treasuries; but the strength of our system of relief lies in the help, aid and assistance of the individual Mason to the extent of the necessities of the case, and his ability to render it without material injury to himself or his family, supplemented when necessary by the treasury of the subordinate lodge."

He goes on to point out that the Grand Charity Fund and the Masonic Home are meant to provide for the care of such cases as cannot be adequately cared for by the individual or the lodge.

Speaking of District Deputy Grand Masters he points out that the office is an important one requiring a knowledge of Masonic Law and usage, capacity for leadership and willingness to work and suggests that when such a Deputy is found he should be retained in office from year to year.

He had one case that required "drastic discipline." It appears that an applicant for membership petitioned one lodge for initiation in the regular way. He was rejected and within six months time petitioned another lodge, stating he had not made application to any other lodge, and had resided for twelve months within its jurisdiction. The lodge without knowledge of the facts accepted and initiated him. When the truth came to light the Grand Master declared this candidate to be irregularly made and forbid any Mason within the jurisdiction to hold Masonic converse of any kind with him, and his name as E. A. be dropped from the rolls of the lodge, and his fees returned to him. One wonders if the lodge committee of investigation did not take much for granted in this case.

He notes the lodges are awakening to the delights of the study of Masonic literature and history and instead of subscribing to modern

and ready made courses of Masonic Research have followed the better plan of assigning for research from the older and established sources subjects in Masonic History or Philosophy to be followed by discussion in lodge. He recommends the literature and history of their own Grand Lodge and describes what is to be found in their own Proceedings. He states "They are priceless. They cannot be rewritten or revised. They have been penned by the hand of the fate that has guided our Masonic destiny." While our own Grand Lodge cannot boast of a lengthy existence, yet from the date of its formation twenty-nine years ago we have also accumulated much of interest, of information and of historic value in our Proceedings, yet there are continual requests for books, addresses and articles on Masonry when they might so easily turn to our Proceedings and find ample material there.

The Grand Lecturer has this to say of the office of Master, he is speaking of preservation of the ritual in its purity, and that some lodges have unsatisfactory knowledge of the Work which should be remedied. He says "It is a reflection upon the dignity of the office, as well as the sincerity of the Master elect, to fail to properly equip himself for the duties which time and experience have taught us to expect of one selected to fill this important trust. To be elected a Master of a lodge is a time honored mark of distinction in any community—and with this honor comes the equal weight of responsibility of which no one should be unmindful. In the final analysis, if the Master and other officers are indifferent to the mandates of the Grand Lodge, relative to a thorough working knowledge of the ritual before assuming office the communications become a travesty, the interest and attendance rapidly decline and the lodge ultimately dies from impoverished blood."

The Committee on the Masonic Home finds the problem of children who reach the age of sixteen or more a serious one, and a plan must be worked out to secure places for these children so that they can commence to earn their own living. It is suggested that the lodge somehow should assist in this, thus reminding us again that it is ever the duty of the individual member first, then the lodge and after that Grand Lodge to extend relief and assistance to our beneficiaries.

The Committee on By-laws state re life membership that a lodge having submitted a By-law authorizing the granting of life membership for approval, the committee felt that the granting of life memberships should be guarded and amended this By-law by adding to it in effect that life membership fees shall not be used for current expenses; but shall be applied to interest bearing indebtedness or invested in interest bearing securities, only the interest from such investments to be used for current expenses.

A very complete report of correspondence is made by M. W. Bro. Lewis N. Tavenner, P.G.M. His foreword is a clever condensation of the principal subjects dealt with by most of the Jurisdictions. Alberta receives very full and fraternal notice. M. W. Bro. Kerby is quoted. He mentions the reports of our D.D.G.M.'s and the report of the Committee on Benevolence, and also suggests that the writer furnished a very fine report as Grand Secretary so I went to look at it and noted that it consisted mainly of figures gleaned from our records! tut! tut! Brother. However I am glad he has corrected our population and square miles of territory. West Virginia has a million people more than we have; but we have more elbow room with over two million square miles of territory. Wait till we grow.

J.H.W.S.K.

WYOMING

Fifty-ninth Annual Communication, August 23rd and 24th, 1933.

In the presence of representatives of each of the fifty-nine chartered lodges, Most Worshipful, Grand Master, Fred S. Forbes, opened Grand Lodge in Ample Form in the Vocational High School Building at Lander.

Brother Fred A. Nutting, Worshipful Master of Wyoming Lodge No. 2, gave Grand Lodge a very appropriate Address of Welcome.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, and were afterwards received with the Grand Honours.

Grand Lodge had been convened once during the year, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the New Federal Building at Cheyenne.

The Grand Master said in part: "I am pleased to report that peace and harmony prevail, there being, so far as I am informed, no discord in our Grand Jurisdiction; but the past year has been one of deep concern to your Grand Master from the standpoint of the financial condition of some of our lodges and members of the Craft. There are many unemployed Masons, with the result that a great many worthy brothers are unable to pay dues, and lodge finances necessarily suffer."

"For the third time in the history of our Grand Lodge, our records show a loss in membership, the net loss for the year being 256, or approximately three per cent. The greatest loss was through non-payment of dues, 266 members having been suspended on that account."

The death of M. W. Past Grand Master William H. Dickinson, at Lander, on October 30th, 1932, was especially noted by the Grand Master.

To meet the necessities of the times fees for degrees in several lodges were sharply reduced.

All the reported decisions of the Grand Master were unconditionally approved with the exception of the one relating to beer, which was approved with reservations.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was presented by Bro. J. M. Lowndes. He notes that in regard to the troublesome question of 3.2. per cent beer, most Grand Masters have decided that as long as the present legislation is effective beer which complies with that legislation will have to be held non-intoxicating; therefore it will not be a Masonic offence to sell it, but each one directs that the beer must not be sold or used in any Masonic Temple, and some restrict its use at a Masonic festivity. He also mentions the "raising" by Franklin D. Roosevelt, when president-elect, of his son Elliott as a Master Mason in Architects Lodge No. 519, in New York. This is believed to be the first incident of its kind, so far as history records, ever conducted in any Masonic lodge in the United States. He comments somewhat skeptically upon the dissolution of the Masonic lodges in Germany, and their reformation on a "pure Christian basis." Jews, however, are to be excluded from membership. This provision appears to Bro. Lowndes rather inconsistent, with which conclusion we are sure most Masons will agree.

The Report of the Custodian of the Work is rather astounding when speaking of smoking during degree work. We hope that his remarks will bear fruit.

Reviews of sixty-four Grand Jurisdictions are given. These are all very readable, and contain much information for the Masonic student, as all of us are. Alberta is fully noted, and the highlights of our Grand Lodge Proceedings clearly set out.

M. W. Bro. Charles C. Mitchell, Lovell, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, Casper, Grand Secretary.

C. V. B.

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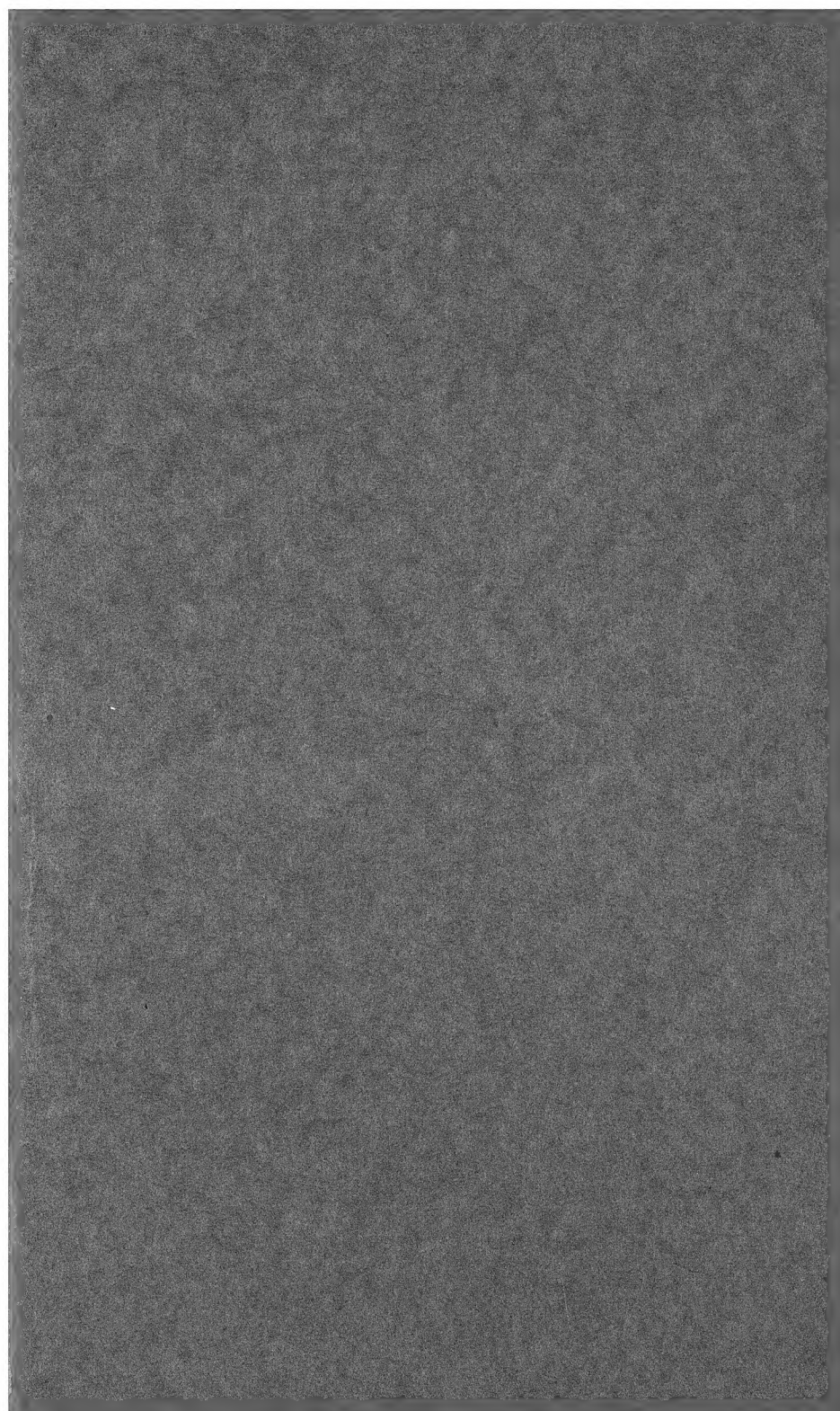
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